

# SPORTS NEBRASKA GUIDE





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of life through the attraction, promotion and the development of national and international sporting events. Sports Nebraska plays a leadership role in attracting key sporting events to the state while leveraging the sports market to generate economic impact and media exposure for all represented communities in Nebraska.



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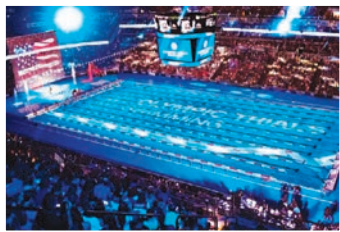


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# COLUMBUS AREA CVB

Columbus and Platte County, the heart of the United States, is a perfect destination for all your athletic needs. In December 2023, we are opening a 260,000 square foot multi-Use Fieldhouse adding to our outstanding facilities. Columbus and Platte County boast big amenities for small town feel and pricing! Make us your destination for tournaments, youth sports competitions, leisure travel and more! From Pickleball and baseball/softball to golf, gymnastics, dance, football, track and field and swimming, there is truly Something Good for everyone in our communities! You can definitely get here from there and we will help you plan every detail.

## Top Sports Facilities:

**Ag Park** — Platte County Agricultural Park is home to the Platte County Fair and Columbus Horse Races. It features a 12,000 square foot exhibit hall, a large livestock arena and a grandstand that seats in excess of 3,500 people. There is ample outside space to accommodate large events as well as an onsite restaurant.

**Pawnee Park** is a large, city-owned park. It features a 2,000 seat stadium with a turfed football field and an eight lane all-weather track. There is a baseball complex, tennis courts, horseshoe pits, a skateboard/BMX facility, sand volleyball, disc golf, fishing lakes, a swimming pool/water park, a nine hole golf/footgolf course and pickleball courts.

**Gerrard/Bradshaw Parks** are the primary baseball/softball facilities in Columbus. They have a total of ten lighted baseball/softball fields, as well as two football fields and six tennis courts. There are modern restrooms

and concession stands. Both facilities have ample parking and spectator areas.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Platte County Agricultural Park** — Platte County Fair, Live Thoroughbred Horse Races, 3D Archery Tournament, Columbus Home Show, Eagles State Pool Tournament, Platte County Ag Exposition, Tournament of the Heartland

**Pawnee Park** — American Legion Baseball/Regional State Tournaments, high school football games and track meets, Columbus Tennis Association Tournament, footgolf, Platte Valley Ringers Horseshoe Tournament, Columbus Kids Run, Relay for Life, Midwest Street Rod Show, Antique Tractor Shows and Flowrider competitions

**Gerrard/Bradshaw Parks** — USSSA Baseball Tournament, Lakeview Softball Tournament, MAAD Regional Softball Tournament, Columbus Mariners Baseball Tournament, Fire and Ice Softball Tournament



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675

Hotel Rooms



83+

Restaurants



### Closest Airports:

- Central Nebraska Regional Airport (GRI) - 62 miles
- Lincoln Airport (LNK) - 75 miles
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 75 miles

### Quick Facts:

- The Pawnee Plunge Waterpark has the region's only Flow Rider surfing/wave machine.
- Columbus has a great public park system that would be an excellent venue for baseball, softball and soccer events.
- Platte County is home to four public/municipal/private golf courses. (Elks CC, Quail Run, Van Berg and Steepleview)

Pawnee Park





Quail Run Golf Course



Pawnee Plunge Waterpark



Fieldhouse



# FREMONT & DODGE COUNTY CVB

Located 45 minutes northwest of downtown Omaha and one-hour northeast of Lincoln; Fremont, Nebraska is conveniently connected to surrounding population centers and is an attractive option for sporting events such as baseball, softball, swimming, and soccer.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Dillon Family Aquatics Center

The center features a natatorium with an eight-lane 50-meter Olympic-size pool, and twelve lanes at 25 yards. Other features include a 10-person spa, spray pad, one-meter diving, mezzanine-level spectator seating for 300, party room, steam room, locker rooms, family changing and restrooms.

### Schilke Baseball Complex

This 20.1-acre, three ball field complex includes fields focused for children ages 17 and under, including seating for up to 400.

### Christensen Field Soccer Facility

This premier multi-purpose facility offers eight soccer fields, four baseball/softball fields, indoor livestock arena, three pole barns with horse stalls, an enclosed barn, plus an outdoor horse arena.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Dillon Family Aquatics Center** has been the host of the Heartland Athletic Conference Swim Meet, and is the host of the 2020 KCAC Swimming Championships.



### Fremont & Dodge County CVB

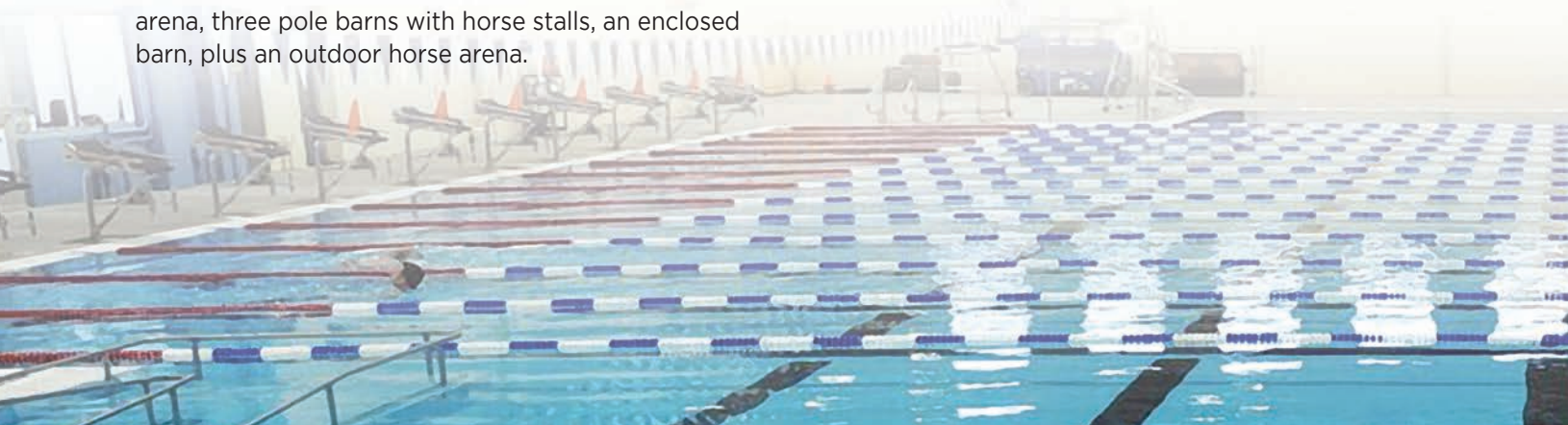
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**441**

Hotel Rooms



**140**

Restaurants



### Closest Airports:

- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 32 miles
- Lincoln Airport (LNK) - 43 miles

## Quick Facts:

- Home of the KCAC Regional Finals for Aquatics - 2020.
- Host of the 2018-19 NAIA Competitive Cheer and Dance Championships.
- Host of the 2018 GPAC Women's Tennis Tournament.

Dillon Aquatics Center





Christensen Field Indoor Arena



Schilke Baseball Complex - Nick Novack Field



Dillon Aquatics Center



Schilke Baseball Complex



Christensen Field



## GERING VISITORS BUREAU/ SCOTTS BLUFF AREA VISITORS BUREAU

FAR FROM ORDINARY; FAR FROM EXPECTATIONS  
Perceptions of Nebraska from non-residents is typically only as far as the eye can see from I-80. In Western Nebraska, we offer a different and unique perspective than anticipated. Our diverse landscapes and natural beauty go hand-in-hand with our sporting opportunities. Visitors can experience a 20-110 mile gravel mountain bike race in the Robidoux Rendezvous, held every year in June. Or, run the Monument Marathon and earn points to qualify for the Boston Marathon in Nebraska's most beautiful full or half marathon. The event has been held annually in September for the past eleven years. Additionally, Western Nebraska is flyover country for 50+ hot air balloons during our annual Old West Balloon Fest held

every summer. Prefer something less adventurous? Visit a golf course that is host to both the Nebraska Girls and Boys Class B State Golf Championship, multiple baseball diamonds, a state-of-the-art gymnastics studio, a newly updated soccer complex, and arenas for livestock shows and competitions. Let us help you plan your next sporting event in Scottsbluff/Gering! Choose from affordable lodging properties, unique family friendly eateries, and up-to-date sporting facilities. You will love the views of our historic landscapes and landmarks while you are winning BIG in Scottsbluff/Gering!





## Top Sports Facilities:

### 23Club

The 23Club park facility offers 4 multi-use baseball/softball fields with lights, a 5-lane batting cage complex, a playground, ADA accessible bathrooms and shaded-stadium seating along with a full concessions area. The complex was renovated in 2020-2021.

### Dome Rock Diamonds

This complex is a new premier facility for all levels of competition. Hosts baseball and softball tournaments with five lighted fields/diamonds, concessions building, restrooms and playground areas.

### Landers Memorial Soccer Complex

The Landers Memorial Soccer Complex is one of the most utilized parks in Scottsbluff. The large outdoor space is ideal for various activities and is used by several community organizations. Western Nebraska Football Club, Western Nebraska Community College Soccer and Scottsbluff High School Soccer all call Landers home. The playing surface is one of the best natural grass surfaces in the state and has been well maintained since its construction. No matter the season there is rarely a day that the complex is not being used by members of our community. It offers a safe space to walk or jog and the continued planting of trees makes it an ideal spot for any outdoor activity.

### Oregon Trail Park Stadium

Located in heart of Gering's entertainment district, Oregon Trail Park Stadium is home to the Western Nebraska Pioneers; the Independence League collegiate wood-bat baseball team. Back-to-back 350' grass fields, seats 1,100 with concessions stand, restrooms and playground area. A top-notch stadium to host tournaments of all levels.



# GERING VISITORS BUREAU/ SCOTTS BLUFF AREA VISITORS BUREAU

## Top Sports Facilities Cont.:

### Monument Shadows Golf Course

Spectacular vistas of Scotts Bluff National Monument are the backdrop of this stunning-challenging 18-hole public course. The impressive layout offers a variety of challenges for golfers, as well as all the amenities needed to host successful tournaments.

### Scotts Bluff County Fairgrounds

Scotts Bluff County Fairgrounds is home to 32 acres with multiple buildings that are used for numerous events. Our Event Center is a 25,000 square foot indoor heated building, which hosts events such as MMA, bull riding, youth wrestling, expos, livestock and AKC dog shows.

## Notable Events Hosted:

- The Robidoux Rendezvous, a 20-110 mile gravel mountain bike race
- The Monument Marathon full and half running event (Boston Marathon qualifying race)
- Old West Balloon Fest
- Balloon Federation of America U.S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships
- NSAA Class B Girls and Boys State Golf Championships



### Gering Visitors Bureau

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Monument Shadows Golf Course





Monument Marathon



Wildcat Hills Shooting Range



**1,057**

Hotel Rooms



**119**

Restaurants



#### Closest Airports:

- Western Nebraska Regional Airport (BFF) Located in Scottsbluff – 6.6 Miles
- Cheyenne Regional Airport (CYS) Located in Cheyenne, WY – 96.0 Miles
- Denver International Airport (DEN) Located in Denver, CO – 193.0 Miles

#### Quick Facts:

- Oregon Trail Ballpark in Gering is the home field of the Western Nebraska Pioneers; the 2022 Independence League Baseball Champions
- The Monument Marathon course, a Boston Marathon qualifying race, start-finish runs on the Oregon Trail around Scotts Bluff National Monument
- Gering and Scotts Bluff County hosted the BFA U.S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships in 2019-2022





# GRAND ISLAND SPORTS COUNCIL

Established in 2007, the Grand Island Sports Council was created to attract and host quality sporting events in the city. Grand Island has hosted scores of regional and national competitions — equine, shooting, wrestling, basketball, archery, bowling, cheerleading, soccer and more. We have a high rate of return events, evidence that Grand Island knows how to make sporting competitions and tournaments successful.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Heartland Public Shooting Park

The Heartland Public Shooting Park is the largest, most complete public shooting park in the Midwest. This includes sporting clay, trap, five stand range, rifle, handgun, and archery (practice and 3D) ranges and a new olympic bunker trap. The HPSP also offers a seven-acre lake, viewing deck, meeting facilities, and internet access.

### Veteran's Athletic Complex

The Veteran's Athletic Complex contains ten 300' softball fields, twelve acres of soccer fields and eight brand new pickleball courts. The complex contains newly built concession stands and restrooms along with paved parking lots made handicap accessible. A trail connects the complex to Eagle Scout lake and a splash pad is available on hot summer days.

### Heartland Event Center (Fonner Park Campus)

The Heartland Event Center is a 170,000 square foot building with a seating capacity of 7,500. Four locker

rooms with coaches offices can be found on the main floor, along with lounges, meeting rooms and training equipment rooms. There are multiple concession stands, official dressing rooms and a four sided video score board. To top it off there are 20 acres of hard surface parking.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Heartland Public Shooting Park/Doniphan Shooting Range** — 4-H National Shooting Sports Championships, ZombieShoot, USPSA Events and State Trap

**Veteran's Athletic Complex** — USSSA Class C State, a modern 10 field complex ready to host events

**Heartland Event Center (Fonner Park Campus)** — USA Wrestling, Heartland Hoops Classic, Nebraska State Cheer and Dance, Bill Marshall Volleyball Classic, Nebraska State Fair



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**1,900**

Hotel Rooms



**130**

Restaurants



## Closest Airports:

- Central Nebraska Regional Airport (GRI) - Located in Grand Island
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 152 miles via shuttle

## Quick Facts:

- Grand Island is home to the spring migration of Sandhills Cranes
- The Nebraska State Fair is located in Grand Island
- Home of Grand Island Casino And Resort

Veteran's Athletic Complex





Heartland Event Center



Heartland Event Center



NW Viking Field



Memorial Stadium - Jack Martin Field





# HASTINGS/ADAMS COUNTY CVB

The Hastings/Adams County Convention & Visitors Bureau invites you to explore Hastings - a city with small town charm. We are centrally located in the middle of Nebraska and near the center of the United States. When you visit, you will find that we are a friendly and thriving community where relationships, the arts, sports and history merge with unique experiences and endless opportunities. Hastings is the host-city for many state, district and regional tournaments. We play a role in the cultivation of a championship atmosphere and are honored to support organizations that promote our community on a consistent and successful basis. We are known to bring in teams of all ages from across Nebraska and out-of-state throughout the year to compete in various sporting activities in our top-notched facilities: Smith Softball Complex, Duncan Field, and Hastings College. In addition, Hastings has three golf courses, twenty city parks, two disc golf courses, Adams County Fairgrounds, Hastings City Auditorium, Pioneer Spirit Trail (walk/run/bike), Motorsports Park Hastings, Hastings Family YMCA and Hastings Aquacourt (both with Olympic sized pools). Hastings is the perfect location to host your event!

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Bill Smith Softball Complex

The Smith Softball Complex includes seven 300-foot lighted softball fields with playing surfaces of weather resistant materials, one baseball field, lighted scoreboards, two concession stands. Portable fencing to accommodate any division of play. A central three-level main building and 360° open air deck for viewing games.

### Duncan Field

Duncan Field is Nebraska's best-loved baseball venue known for its deep outfield surrounded by a red brick wall, and its turf infield. Grand stand accommodates over 1,300 spectators, upper concourse four-room press box, two concession stands; ground level and upper level, handicap seating ground and upper level.

**Hastings College-** Hastings College hosts various NAIA sports and local athletic contests. The Lloyd Wilson Field has 3,000 stadium-style seating, new turf June 2022, home to Hastings College football, mens/womens soccer, and Hastings High School football. The Lynn Farrell Area is 79,000 square-foot, 2,200 top-loading bleachers, hardwood court.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Bill Smith Softball Complex** - ASA Championship State and National tournaments, USA Softball Association youth and adult State tournaments, Regional and National Softball Championship tournaments, NSAA High School State Softball tournament, and the City of Hastings youth and adult league games.


**Duncan Field** - Hastings College Bronco Baseball, American Legion Baseball/Districts/Regional/State Tournaments, American Legion Mid-South Regional Tournament, Hastings Sod busters, Hastings High School Baseball, and City of Hastings Little League Baseball Championship. This landmark facility serves the community as a tourist site and hosts over 100 events each year.





Duncan Field



**Hastings College** - Hastings College plays host to various NAIA sports and a multitude of events ranging from regular season, regionals, state and local athletic play-off games, competitions and tournaments. Whoopers & Hoopers Basketball Tournament, Hastings High School District Football Play-Off Games, NAIA Regionals (Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Track).

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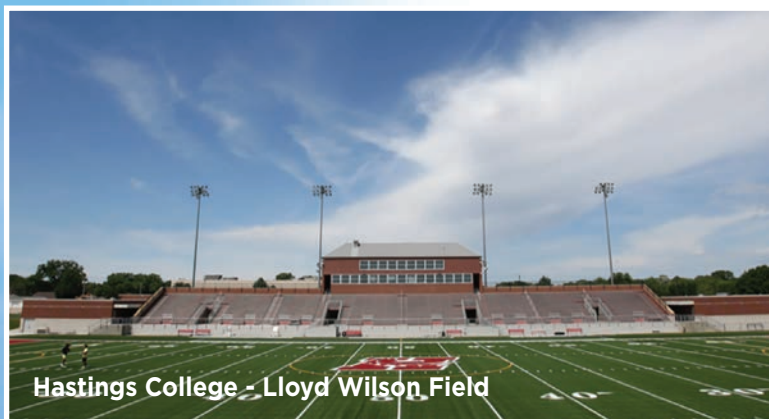
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**Bill Smith Softball Complex**



**Hastings College - Lynn Farrell Arena**



**Hastings College - Lloyd Wilson Field**



**Duncan Field**



**651**

Hotel Rooms



**65**

Restaurants



#### **Closest Airports:**

- Hastings Municipal Airport
- Central Nebraska Regional Airport (GRI) - 27 miles
- Lincoln Airport (LNK) - 89 miles
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 140 miles

#### **Quick Facts:**

- Hastings has continued to be the host city of the NSAA State Softball Tournament since 2008
- In 2019 and 2021 Hastings hosted the Region 4: American Legion Mid-South Regional Baseball Tournament at the historic Duncan Field
- The Bill Smith Softball Complex has been the host site for the USA Softball of Nebraska State Championships since 1995
- Hastings is the Birthplace of Kool-Aid

# KEARNEY VISITORS BUREAU

The Kearney Visitors Bureau is a destination management team striving to promote sport tourism in our community. We work to facilitate events by providing support between sport planners, event venues, assisting with event promotions, coordinating volunteers and offering financial support.

Kearney is a premier destination for sports and events because of its central location, state-of-the-art facilities, convenience of hotels and restaurants and affordable prices. As the home of several statewide events, regional tournaments and a variety of other events, Kearney has the facilities for all field and gym sports, and exceptional facilities for wrestling, hockey, BMX, golf, drag racing, equestrian and more. In addition to our sports venues, Kearney has ample hotel rooms, a large selection of restaurants and multiple travel options with interstate and highway access and a regional airport with daily flights to Denver.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### University of Nebraska at Kearney

The DII University of Nebraska Kearney plays host to a multitude of events ranging from NCAA regionals to a variety of state and local athletic tournaments. With first rate facilities such as the Health & Sports Center and Foster Field, UNK is the one of Kearney's premier host venues.

### Buffalo County Fairgrounds

The Buffalo County Fairgrounds offers three excellent flexible facilities to serve a range of events. The Exposition Center features 52,000 square feet and seats over 5,500. In addition, the outdoor area can

accommodate 5,000 guests. The fairgrounds hosts a wide variety of events such as wrestling, rodeos, concerts and more.

### Patriot Park

Patriot Park is a new addition to Kearney's athletic venues. This complex includes four youth baseball and four youth softball fields and the Brad Bowman Field, a fully accessible field, a first of its kind in the area. Concessions, indoor batting cages and official's locker room are all on site.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**University of Nebraska at Kearney** — Shrine Bowl, Mr. and Miss Basketball and NCAA Regionals (Volleyball, Wrestling, Golf, Cross-Country)

**Buffalo County Fairgrounds** — Midwest Classic Wrestling Duals, Senior Games, AMLkids Gymnastics

**Patriot Park** — USSSA State Baseball, State Little League Baseball, Youth & Collegiate Softball Games



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Patriot Park





**1,800**  
Hotel Rooms



**125**  
Restaurants



**Closest Airports:**

- Kearney Regional Airport (EAR) - Located in Kearney
- Central Nebraska Regional Airport (GRI) - 53 miles East

**Quick Facts:**

- Kearney has hosted 400+ Mr. & Miss Basketball events over the last 28 years.
- Tri-City Storm Hockey is entering their 20th season. They were Clark Cup Champions in 2016 and Anderson Cup in 2019.
- The Buffalo County Fairgrounds can hold 14 full sized wrestling mats under one roof.



# VISIT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Nebraska's state capital is centrally located for all your sports travel needs. New sporting facilities along with rejuvenated downtown entertainment districts moves Lincoln to the top of the list for destinations to visit. Whether it's world class athletics, unique Midwestern dining or a love for the arts you seek, Lincoln has it all. Lincoln has a tremendous passion and tradition of hosting major national competitions all the way down to their local youth sports. Lincoln's commitment and small-town feel are what make it an attractive destination for any size market. Our tier one amenities, community support and attention to detail are a few of many reasons to come to Lincoln. We have created a buzz around the city that is being noticed by many across the U.S. We look forward to hosting your next event and showing you why Lincoln is the premier destination for all your sporting needs.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Pinnacle Bank Arena

Pinnacle Bank Arena is a state of the art 470,400 square foot multi-purpose arena in the downtown Haymarket district of Lincoln. With a capacity of 16,000, PBA has hosted many national sporting events and concerts, as well as serving as the home for Husker men's and women's basketball.

### Lincoln Youth Complex

Set to open in fall of 2024, the Lincoln Youth Complex will house eight turfed fields in total: two championship fields - one each both baseball and softball, five youth fields that can be used for both baseball and softball and one field that will be the home of Homer's Heroes for intellectually and physically challenged youth.

### Speedway Sports Complex

Speedway Sports Complex is the premier sports destination in Lincoln. The 35-acre facility includes nine outdoor sports fields and a 100,000 square foot indoor turf facility that can be covered with composite flooring. The complex also features an 80,000 square foot building with eight basketball courts and up to 12 volleyball courts.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Pinnacle Bank Arena** — Volleyball Nations League, NBA Preseason Basketball, and NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament Regional Championships

**Bob Devaney Sports Center** — Final X Wrestling, NCAA Gymnastics Championships, and NCAA and Big 10 Track and Field Championships

**Speedway Sports Complex** — USA Roller Sports National Championships, 3v3 Live Soccer Tour and the 2023 New Balance Basketball tournaments



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**5,300**  
Hotel Rooms



**500+**  
Restaurants



### Closest Airports:

- Lincoln Airport (LNK) – Located in Lincoln
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) – 60 miles

## Quick Facts:

- The USA Roller Sports National Indoor Championships have been held in Lincoln 31 times since 1962, more times than any other city in the United States.
- Sun Valley Lanes, a 32-lane bowling alley has hosted the World Tenpin Bowling Association Youth Championships, United States Bowling Congress, Intercollegiate Team Championships, US Open and many other events
- Lincoln hosted the National High School Association Rodeo Finals, the world's largest rodeo in 2021 at the Lancaster Event Center





Speedway Sports Complex



Lincoln Youth Complex



Pinnacle Bank Arena



Star City BMX Park





# NORFOLK AREA SPORTS COUNCIL

At the Norfolk Area Sports Council, we have fun, build strong relationships, and help our members make the most of the vast resources and social opportunities. Bringing people and events to Norfolk is our number one priority.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### YMCA/Elkhorn Valley Bank Fieldhouse

The YMCA/Elkhorn Valley Bank Fieldhouse features an indoor suspended running track, a new gymnasium and main field area. The 80 yard x 43 yard indoor air-conditioned field is covered with turf and can host soccer, football, baseball and softball games. Complete with a concession stand area and indoor children's playground.

### Veterans Memorial Park

Veterans Memorial Park is comprised of 21 acres and is home to Memorial AquaVenture water park, Memorial Baseball field, Miracle Skatepark and Memorial Football field.

### Johnny Carson Theatre

The Johnny Carson Theatre holds over 1,200 people with state-of-the-art lighting and sound systems, loading and unloading areas. The theatre has hosted various musical concerts, national theater tours, and national dance competitions.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Veterans Memorial Park** — College level baseball and soccer events as well as a professional baseball game. The football field is also home to the Northeast Nebraska All Star Football Classic.

**Johnny Carson Theatre** — NSAA State Play Production Championships as well as Leap! National Dance Competition



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Cowboy Trail



Memorial Field



YMCA/Elkhorn Valley Bank Fieldhouse



Johnny Carson Theatre



**669**

Hotel Rooms



**70**

Restaurants



**Closest Airports:**

- Sioux Gateway Airport (SUX) – 80 miles
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) – 113 miles

**Quick Facts:**

- For the past 11 years Johnny Carson Theatre has been home to the nationally recognized Great American Comedy Festival.
- Miracle Skatepark, located at Veterans Memorial Park, is being completely redesigned by Spohn Ranch and slated to host events and competitions later in 2019.
- King's Lanes bowling venue hosted the Women's State Bowling Tournament, and the US Women's Qualifying Tournament for Nationals in 2019.



# NORTH PLATTE AREA SPORTS COMMISSION

The North Platte Area Sports Commission, a division of Visit North Platte, is a sports advocacy organization for North Platte and Lincoln County, Nebraska. What drives us to blaze new trails in sports marketing is turning everyday events into exceptional experiences and to distinguish our community as a leader in event development and tourism. North Platte is conveniently located along Interstate 80, within equal distance of two major cities: Denver, CO and Omaha, NE, which makes North Platte a prime location to host your sporting event.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### D&N Events Center

40,000 square foot building, suited for many different types of sporting events and conventions, conveniently located near I-80, within walking distance from hotels. Includes 3,000 square foot kitchen/concession area along with multi-stall bathrooms. Turf floor occupies half of the 37,000 square-foot event or exhibit area, while the other half is sports flooring.

### Dowhower Girls Softball Complex

Dowhower Softball Complex has seven lighted softball fields, each with lighted scoreboards, clay infield, grass outfield with underground sprinkler system, and clay warning track. The complex offers central facilities with restrooms, concession stand, and upper level scorekeeping area. But don't let this complex distract you from the 2 other complexes and championship field which boast many other youth, adult, NJCAA, and summer collegiate baseball and softball events - giving North Platte a total of 19 diamonds.

### Lake Maloney Golf Course

A beautiful and challenging par 72, 18-hole golf course with rolling hills and large undulating greens nested near

Lake Maloney, south of North Platte. Equipped with 6 sets of tee boxes for all skill levels, playing from 4,000 - 7,000 yards in length. The newest addition to the Clubhouse, features an indoor practice simulator, along with the Pro Shop and bar.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**D&N Events Center** - Buffalo Bill Brawl National Amateur USA Boxing Tournament, Eagles State Pool Tournament, Midwest Championship MMA Fights, River Valley Ruckus Youth Wrestling Tournament, ACO and ACL Cornhole Tournaments.

**Dowhower Softball Complex** - ASA Northern Nationals Girls 16U Class A Fastpitch Softball Tournament, Buffalo Bill and Gail Wicks Memorial USA Girls Open-Class Fastpitch Softball Tournament, NJCAA Collegiate Regional Softball Tournament

**Cody Park & Centennial Park Complex** - Flatrock Classic 9U - 13U Baseball Tournament

**Bill Wood Field** - North Platte Plainsmen Wood-Bat Summer Collegiate Program

**Lake Maloney Golf Course** - NJCAA Collegiate Golf, Nebraska State Boys & Girls Golf Championship Tournament



### North Platte Area Sports Commission

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1,900

Hotel Rooms



60

Restaurants



### Closest Airport:

- North Platte Regional Airport (LBF) serviced by United Airlines direct to Denver (DIA). Located in North Platte.

## Quick Facts:

- North Platte is home to Buffalo Bill Cody's Ranch and Nebraska's first rodeo, Buffalo Bill Rodeo held in June during NEBRASKALand Days, located at the Wild West Arena.
- The world's largest classification railyard (Bailey Yards) and the Golden Spike Tower (Eight story building in the shape of a railroad spike that gives a panoramic view of Bailey Yards) is located here.
- National Avocado Launching Championship, held annually in September at the Wild West Arena.





Flatrock Class Youth Baseball  
Tournament - Cody Park



Buffalo Bill Gravel Grinder -  
Potters Pasture



NSAA High School Boys State  
Golf Championship -  
Lake Maloney Golf Club



Buffalo Bill Brawl USA Boxing Tournament - D&N Events Center



# OMAHA SPORTS COMMISSION & VISIT OMAHA

## Omaha Sports Commission

The Omaha Sports Commission works closely with the Omaha Metropolitan area businesses and community leaders to help recruit and promote amateur sporting events. The OSC is a “total service event team”, meaning that it is involved in all aspects of event management from bid selection and preparation to Event Hosting and Event Enhancement to post-event evaluation.

## Visit Omaha

Visit Omaha is the Destination Marketing Organization for Omaha Metro and Douglas County.

## Top Sports Facilities:

### CHI Health Center Omaha

Created in 2003, the facility contains more than 1,100,000 square feet, including a 194,000 square foot exhibition hall, more than 63,000 square feet of meeting space and an 18,300 seat arena. The facility is connected via skywalk to the 600 room Hilton Omaha. The arena is home to the Creighton University Men's Basketball Program and hosts a variety of sporting events, concerts, and conventions.

### Charles Schwab Field Omaha

Home to the NCAA Division I Men's College World Series and Creighton Bluejays baseball program, Charles Schwab Field Omaha seats 24,000 and features a 360° walk-around concourse for a perfect view of the field.

### Baxter Arena

The arena is a vibrant community asset, serving as the home of University of Nebraska Omaha hockey, men's and women's basketball and volleyball as well as concerts, civic events, campus recreation, youth hockey, figure skating and curling. The building seats 7,500 with additional space for standing room.

### Liberty First Credit Union Arena

The venue is a multi-faceted facility that is not only home to the USHL's Omaha Lancers, the WFTDA's Omaha Rollergirls, the CPIFL's Omaha Beef, and LFL's Omaha Heart, but it also sets the stage for a wide variety of concerts and events.

### Union Bank & Trust Sports Complex

This 134,000 square foot complex offers premium volleyball and basketball courts perfect for tournaments of all levels. With eight volleyball courts, six basketball courts and HD digital scoreboards, the Union Bank & Trust Sports Complex is ready for action!

### DJ Sokol Arena

The home of the Creighton Women's Basketball and Volleyball teams. This 2,950-seat arena is a loud one! Every seat has a great view of the action. This venue is the home to The Basketball Tournament - Omaha Regional.

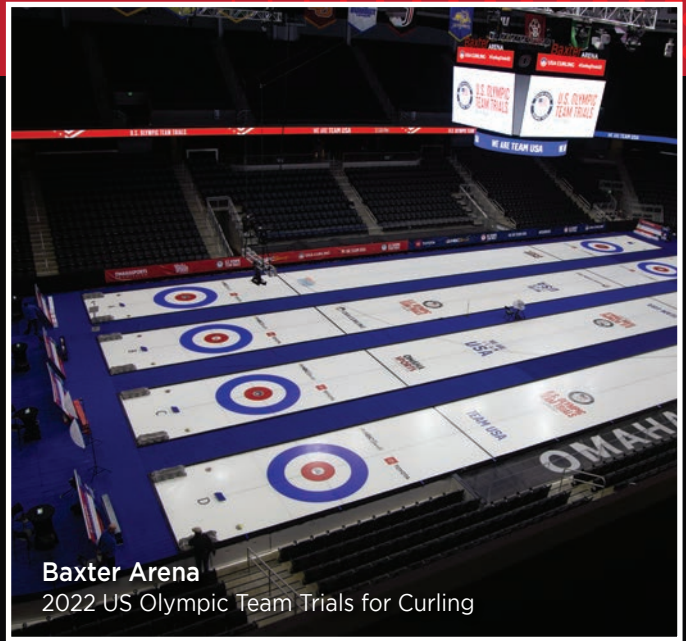


CHI Health Center Omaha  
2020(1) US Olympic Team Trials for Swimming





**Hefflinger Park**  
2020 BMX Mid-America Nationals



**Baxter Arena**  
2022 US Olympic Team Trials for Curling



**Charles Schwab Field Omaha**  
NCAA Mens College World Series

Courtesy of Visit Omaha



# OMAHA SPORTS COMMISSION & VISIT OMAHA

## Notable Events Hosted:

### CHI Health Center Omaha —

- 2018 (Sweet 16/Elite 8) & 2020 (opening rounds) NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament
- 2020/2022 NCAA Women's Volleyball Final Four
- 2008/2012/2016/2020(1) U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Swimming
- 2017/2023 FEI World Cup Finals (Equestrian)

### Charles Schwab Field Omaha —

- NCAA Division I Men's College World Series
- B1G Ten Baseball Tournament

### Baxter Arena —

- 2018/2022 U.S. Olympic Team Trials for Curling

### DJ Sokol Arena —

- 2022 The Basketball Tournament - Omaha Regional



### Omaha Sports Commission

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**Mahoney State Park**  
2022 OSC's Platte River Rumble





**CHI Health Center Omaha**  
2021 International Omaha Presented by Burlington Capital

Courtesy of Visit Omaha



**DJ Sokol Arena**  
2022 The Basketball Tournament - Omaha Regional



**CHI Health Center**  
Volleyball Classic

Courtesy of Visit Omaha



**Capital District**  
2019 OSCs Capitol District Pole Vault



Approximately

**15,000**  
Hotel Rooms



**1,500+**  
Restaurants



**Closest Airport:**

- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - located in Omaha

**Quick Facts:**

- The Omaha Metropolitan Area is home to more than four top class arenas, three indoor fieldhouse complexes and a dozen outdoor competition fields.
- Omaha is home to seven colleges/universities that provide volunteers, fans and hosting support for events.
- Omaha is almost exactly in the middle of the U.S. and Omaha's Airport has 88 departures a day, making Omaha easily accessible from anywhere.
- Baseball has been a tradition in the Omaha area for more than 60 years including the College World Series, Triple Crown's Slump Buster, Omaha Storm Chasers, and many other tournaments.
- Omaha has hosted large events in the sports of swimming, rodeo, baseball, hockey, basketball, track & field, wrestling, golf, volleyball, triathlon, and many more.



# SARPY COUNTY TOURISM

Situated directly south of Omaha, Sarpy County is the fastest growing county in the state. Sarpy County includes the cities of Bellevue, Gretna, La Vista, Papillion, Springfield, along with Offutt Air Force Base. From Baseball to Quadball, Volleyball to E-Sports, Sarpy County has a home for every sport!

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Werner Park

Werner Park is a unique outdoor venue which is home to the Omaha Storm Chasers, the Triple-A Affiliate of the Kansas City Royals and Union Omaha of USL League One. Werner Park's seating capacity for baseball is 9,023.

### Papillion Landing

Papillion Landing includes a 120,000 square foot community recreation center and an 80,000 square foot indoor turf field house. Outdoors features a 115x75 yard turf field, 25 secondary grass fields, and 6 softball/baseball fields.

### Nebraska Multisport Complex

12 all-turf fields will allow for regional and national qualifying events as well as local tournaments in a variety of field sports. These include soccer, lacrosse, fast-pitch softball, baseball, flag football, and rugby.

## Notable Events Hosted:

**Werner Park** — Triple-A All-Star Game, NSAA High School Baseball Championships, USL League One Championship

**Papillion Landing** — UWW U15 Nationals Wrestling Championship, 2019 & 2021 US Quidditch Midwest Regional Championship, The Omaha Invite Gymnastics Meet

**Lied Activity Center** — Labor Day Volleyball Classic (NAIA)



### Sarpy County Tourism

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**2,203**  
Hotel Rooms



**400**  
Restaurants



### Closest Airports:

- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 15 miles

## Quick Facts:

- Located at Offutt Air Force Base near Omaha, Nebraska, U.S. Strategic Command is one of eleven unified combatant commands in the Department of Defense.
- The old log cabin in Bellevue is regarded as the oldest building in Nebraska. According to local legend, it was constructed between 1830 and 1835.
- Sarpy County is the smallest county in Nebraska but the fastest growing county in the state.





Papillion Landing Fieldhouse



La Vista Sports Complex



Nebraska Multisport Complex



# SOUTH SIOUX CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/CVB

Welcome to South Sioux City. On behalf of the entire community, we are happy to have you and hope you enjoy your stay. We continue to prosper thanks to the opportunities afforded to our city. Industry is booming as manufacturing, green energy and meat processing dominate our region. This is also an exciting time as we are currently undergoing a 200-acre housing expansion featuring apartments, townhomes and standalone homes alongside the Missouri River. New restaurant and shopping opportunities also keep popping up along our bustling Dakota Avenue and beyond. A wide array of recreational activities will keep visitors entertained. Camping, fishing, playgrounds, disk golf and a multitude of parks are sure to keep guests active. Don't forget to visit the Vietnam Wall replica at Siouxland Freedom Park! Our community has been recognized nationally and across the state for its growth and we're grateful that you are here to see it. We hope you enjoy your visit and please come again soon!

## Top Sports Facilities:

### Dible Soccer Complex

10+ Fields located along the river available for tourney play. Many different Siouxland Soccer organizations take advantage of this location to host local, state and regional events.

### Riverview Softball/Baseball Complex

This complex sits close to the river, three softball fields, two baseball fields and concessions available for events. The Delta Hotel is walking distance from the complex and the Dible Soccer Complex is in walking distance.

### SSC Schools

Partnering with the South Sioux City School district on many basketball events provides us with seven courts and plenty of room to host any type of basketball/volleyball event when the school is not using these facilities.

## Notable Events Hosted:

ASA Softball State Tourneys, ASA regional softball events, state and regional soccer events and the school can host many events with their facilities including the "Mini-Dome"



### South Sioux City Chamber of Commerce/CVB

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Riverview Ball Fields



Voss Fields



South Sioux City High School (SSC) Mini-Dome



**325**

Hotel Rooms



**30**

Restaurants



**Closest Airports:**

- Sioux City Airport (SUX) - 5 miles
- Sioux Falls Airport (FSD) - 80 miles
- Omaha Eppley Airfield (OMA) - 85 miles

**Quick Facts:**

- South Sioux City is part of the tri-state metropolitan area containing Sioux City, IA, and North Sioux City, SD.
- South Sioux City has hosted National Dog Shows every year since 2014.
- South Sioux City's girls basketball program has won 12 state basketball championships.




# NOTES







# SPORTS NEBRASKA



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**COUNTY**

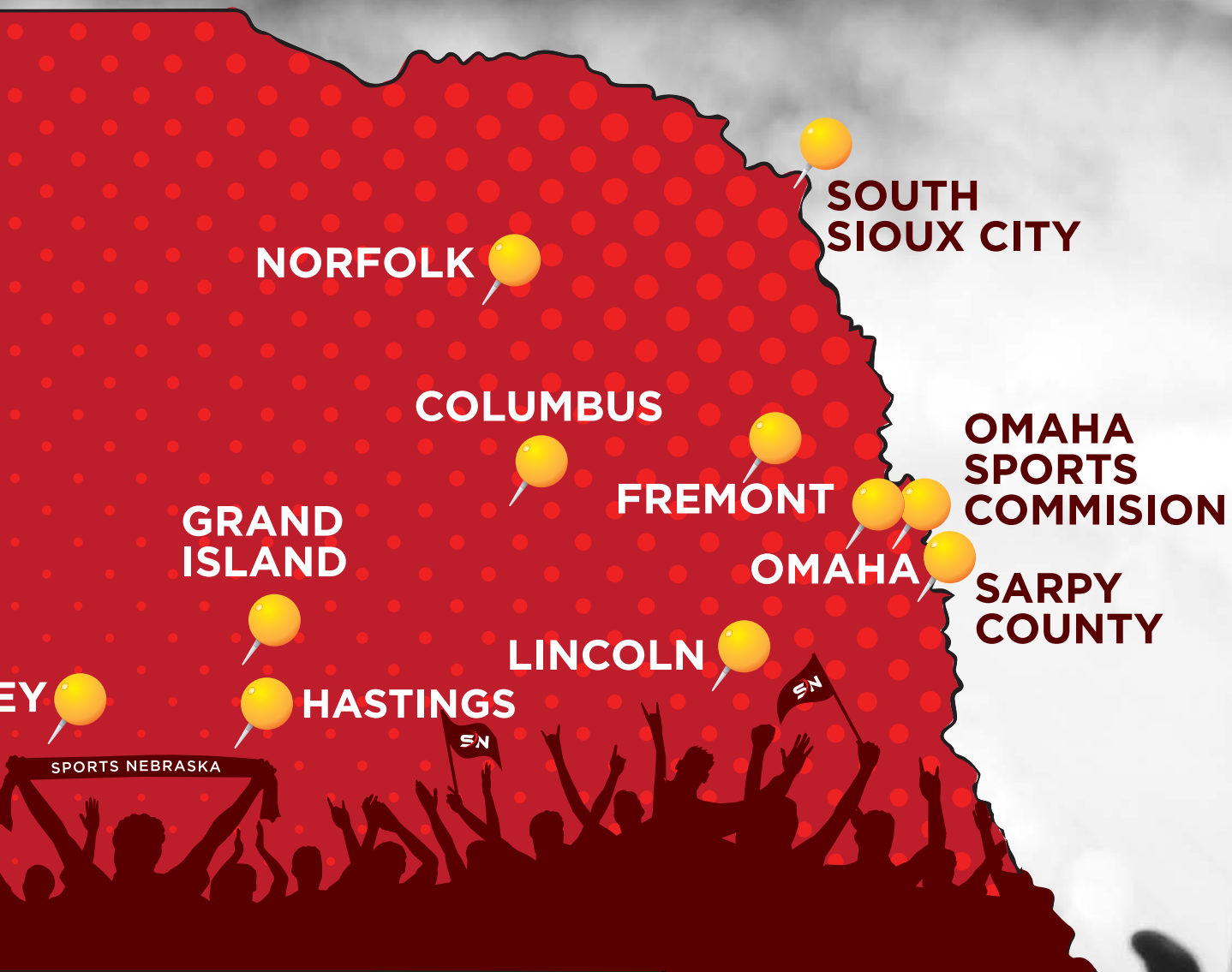
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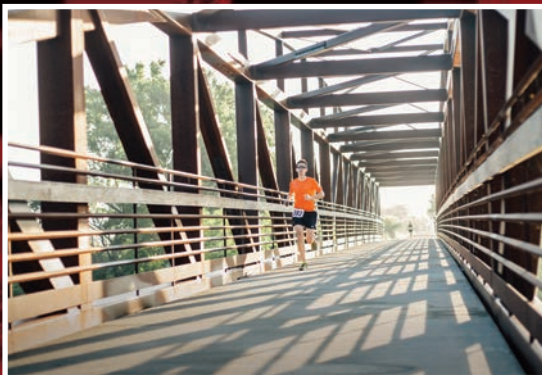






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