



OVERVIEW

About

The Nebraska Sports Council (NSC) is pleased to offer opportunities for amateur athletes of all ages and abilities to showcase their athletic talents, participate for the fun of it, meet new friends, make family memories, test their mental and physical limits and achieve healthier lifestyles.

The NSC was founded in 1985 by Dr. Richard Hammer, Jerry McGinn and O.W. "Bill" Smith and is governed by a 22-member board of directors.

Programs of the Nebraska Sports Council are made possible because of the financial support of more than 60 corporate sponsors, in-kind and cash donations from more than 350 businesses and organizations and the efforts of more than 2,500 volunteers.

Mission

The NSC is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization that provides competition opportunities for amateur athletes of all ages and abilities and promotes healthy and active lifestyle choices.

Cornhusker State Games

The Cornhusker State Games is a statewide amateur sports festival for all Nebraskans and surrounding states*. The purpose of the Games is to provide top-quality amateur competition in a wide range of activities. The 2016 Games are scheduled for July 15-24 at more than 70 sites in Lincoln, Omaha and surrounding communities.

The first Cornhusker State Games in 1985 offered 19 sports and attracted 4,000 participants. In 2014, the Cornhusker State Games attracted 13,460 participants in more than 60 competitive and participation sports. Participants came from 78 counties; the oldest official participant was 87 years, the youngest was 9 months. The 2015 State Games of America, which replaced the Cornhusker State Games last summer, attracted 15,244 participants from 47 different states, plus Washington D.C. The oldest official participant was 89 years and the youngest was 9 months.

Besides offering a wide range of competitions (from traditional Olympic sports such as Track & Field, Gymnastics and Swimming) Nebraskans' competitive interests are served by less demanding events such as Horseshoe Pitching, Mallwalk and Chess.

The Games is preceded each year by a statewide promotional torch run involving more than 920 runners and local observances in 24 communities along the route. Other Games activities include an Olympic-style opening ceremonies and SportFest, which includes a free meal and a host of activities for participants and the general public.

LiveWell Challenge

The LiveWell Challenge is an event-centric wellness program conducted by the Nebraska Sports Council that tracks and rewards participation in locally-owned and organized events that require exertion equal to or greater than a 5K run/walk and a minimum of four weeks of training to safely complete the event.

There is no cost to register for the LiveWell Challenge. However, participants are responsible for entry fees into the events they choose from the LiveWell Challenge calendar of qualified events.

Each person that participates in four events, including a minimum of one Nebraska Sports Council event, receives a LiveWell Challenge medal. Those who complete seven events earn a silver medal and for 10 or more events, including a minimum of two Nebraska Sports Council events, participants receive a gold medal.

'16 Mud Run

The NSC Mud Run is Nebraska's ORIGINAL mud run!

The spectator friendly 3-mile and 6-mile courses feature music, obstacles, creek crossings, multiple mud pits and a giant slip-n-slide. In addition to the 3-mile and 6-mile individual events, the race includes a tethered 3-person team division and a one-mile Mini Mud Run.

After the race, there are multiple outdoor shower stations and a station for runners to dump their dirty shoes, where they will be cleaned and donated to charity. There is also an after-party that includes food, drinks, music and the awards presentation.

Pumpkin Run

The Pumpkin Run is a 1-mile, youth, cross-country run and is the largest run of its kind in the nation. In 2015 over 3,500 elementary aged students (K-5) traversed the 1-mile course at Pioneers Park. The event has become a Fall tradition for families from Lincoln as well as a few communities outside the city limits.

Contact

Learn more about the Nebraska Sports Council and its affiliated properties at www.NebraskaSportsCouncil.com, or, email info@nebraskasportscouncil.com or call 402-471-2544.

**The National Congress of State Games, the membership organization of the Cornhusker State Games, has recently amended its residency requirement to allow non-resident participation in State Games events by residents of states that have no State Games program and residents of states whose State Games program does not offer their sport of choice. The Nebraska Sports Council, in order to foster State Games interest in non-member states, has agreed to allow non-resident participation in a limited number of sports on this basis.*



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