

# Long Island Sports Commission

## Overview



Long Island's public and private sports facilities coupled with experienced event professionals, a solid volunteer base, tiered hotel room rates and a strong transportation infrastructure appeal to sport event owners on every level. There is tremendous support and enthusiasm among public and private leaders to bring major sporting events to Long Island. Close proximity to the media capital of the world provides access to this type of exposure like no other area. Additionally, the Island is easily accessible with a strong ground and rail transportation infrastructure and service by three main airports – JFK and LaGuardia International Airports and Long Island's MacArthur Airport.

## CORPORATE/COMMUNITY RESOURCES

The Long Island Sports Commission, a division of the Long Island CVB, has been bringing national and international sporting events to Long Island for more than 12 years. The Island holds an exceptional reputation as being one of the leading and highly recognizable sports destinations in the country. With an impressive record of hosting distinguished events, facility operators provide the professionalism, experience and expertise necessary to ensure the success of any event. Local volunteers help support the Commerce Championship – Champions Tour, Hampton Classic Horse Show, Belmont Stakes and the NYS Games for the Physically Challenged – utilizing more than 500 volunteers annually.



Long Island Ducks

## VENUES AND FACILITIES

Long Island offers a unique concentration of exceptional facilities that meet the highest national and international standards for a variety of popular sports. Several clusters of versatile facilities provide rights holders with ease and convenience when organizing multi-sport events. Major sports organizations include the NY Islanders (NHL), NY Dragons (AFL), NY Jets (NFL) – Training Camp, Long Island Ducks (Atlantic League), Long Island Rough Riders (USL), Long Island Lizards (MLL) and the Women's Sports Foundation. Most recently, international events, such as the U.S. Open, FINA World Cup – Swimming and the FINA Water Polo World League Super Final, have called Long Island home.

For more information, visit [www.funonli.com/sports](http://www.funonli.com/sports), or call 631-951-3900 ext. 315 or 1-877-FUN-ON-LI.



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## EVENTS

- 2005 Breeders Cup – NTRA  
*Belmont Racetrack*
- 2006 FINA World Cup - Swimming  
*Nassau County Aquatics Center*
- 2006 NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships  
*Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum*
- 2006 NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse  
Quarterfinals  
*Stony Brook University*
- 2009 U.S. Open Golf Championships  
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Long Island Convention & Visitors Bureau

### Long Island: Island of Champions

- US Open Golf Championships – 1896, 1902, 1986, 1995, 2002, 2004, 2009
- Breeders' Cup – 1990, 1995, 2001, 2005
- NCAA Men's Division I Swimming & Diving Championships – 2004
- FINA Water Polo World League Super Final – 2003
- 1998 Goodwill Games

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