



# 2023 AIRPORT OF THE YEAR



## HASTINGS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT Hastings, Nebraska



### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Community relations are crucial to the airport's successful operation and development. Building and maintaining positive relationships with the local community is essential.

Hastings Municipal Airport held several events throughout 2023. The largest event was the Air Race Classic, where the airport hosted 50+ aircraft and over 100 young women on their overnight stop in the race across the country! Other events included the 2023 Blakesburg Bendix and Airport Open House antique aircraft event, monthly (summer) NE Antique Aircraft Association's hamburger feed fly-ins, "Top

Gun 2" movie night, EAA 544's fall airplane poker run, and several aviation presentations by local pilots to civic groups and lawmakers.

EAA Chapter 544 and the Nebraska Antique Aircraft Association are two active organizations at the airport that promote aviation to the flying community and the general public.

Some airport services include Full Service FBO (100LL and Jet A fuel), overnight hangar rental, catering, aircraft rental, flight training, and two courtesy cars.

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The airport supports the community in various ways, fostering positive relationships and contributing to the overall well-being of the areas it serves. The airport is publicly owned by the City of Hastings. Good relationships with public leaders are essential for its success. The airport management and the Hastings Airport Advisory Board work with airport stakeholders and the non-flying public to educate and advise on aviation issues, including hosting a monthly aviation education program.



### AWARDED TO:

## City of Hastings and the Hastings Airport Advisory Board

Hastings Airport Staff: Matthew Kuhr and Jim Howsden ■ Hasting Airport Advisory Board Representative: Aaron Schardt