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March 21, 2014

## Air Show Weekend Timeline

**11 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**11 a.m.**

Skipper's Welcome  
National Anthem

Skydive South Texas jump team

Tiger Air Shows'  
Twin YAK-55's  
"Salute to Veterans"

DAV Flight Team,  
B-25 Mitchell Bomber

Paul Fiala, Great Lakes Biplane

**12 p.m.**

SHOCKWAVE Jet Truck

Andrew Wright, Carbon Fiber  
G-202

Gregory Colyer,  
T-33 Shooting Star

Rob Holland, MX-2

**1 p.m.**

Justin Lewis, BD-5J MicroJet

Jan Collmer, EA-300L

Circus Maximus, Tiger Air  
Show's Twin YAK-55's

Randy Ball, Russian-built  
MiG-17F

MiG-17F and T-33 dogfight

Rob Holland & SHOCKWAVE  
Jet Truck race

**3 p.m.**

Blue Angels' "Fat Albert" C-130

Blue Angels  
Flight Demonstration Team

**5 p.m.**

Show Closes

*NOTE: All times are estimated,  
and could shift a little.*

## Blue Angels coming to NAS Kingsville ....



## ... headlining the 'Wings Over South Texas' air show

By Jon Gagné  
NAS Kingsville Public Affairs

The U.S. Navy Blue Angels are back, and headed to NAS Kingsville for the 2014 "Wings Over South Texas" Air Show, March 29-30. The Blues kicked off their 2014 air show season March 15 at their winter home in El Centro, Calif.

"Our goal for 'Wings Over South Texas' 2014 is to provide something for every member of the family," said NAS Kingsville Commanding Officer Capt. Christopher Misner, "and we're thrilled to have the Blue Angels as our headline act. We view this air show as a base-and-community event, and out base and community teams have been working hard for the last five months to put our 2014 show together. I'm certain that air show fans won't be disappointed."

Fourteen acts make up the card for "Wings Over South Texas" 2014, including the Blue Angels and world aerobatic

champion Rob Holland. There will also be a Midway for food, beverages and souvenir purchases, and a KidZone for children. Static displays along with flight line will include more than 40 aircraft and first responder vehicles, motorcycles from the Patriot Guard and Green Knights motorcycle clubs, and classic cars and trucks.

Air Show week at NAS Kingsville will kick off on Thursday, March 27, with the arrival of the Blue Angels team. Media will be on hand to cover the arrival and welcome the Blues to Kingsville. The Blues Angels arrival is not open to the general public.

Friday activities kick-off with an Air Show Pep Rally at Texas A&M University-Kingsville for school children throughout South Texas. About 6,000 children are expected to attend the event at Javelina Stadium, which will include school bands and cheerleaders, performer videos on the Jumbotron, and comments from members of the Blue Angels. A flyover of some of the air

show aircraft will close out the Pep Rally.

Friday evening, the City of Kingsville and Kleberg County will host their annual "Meet The Performers" event at the Henrietta Memorial Center in downtown Kingsville. This event is free to the general public, and offers air show fans the opportunity to meet the performers, get autographs and take photos with their favorite performers.

The Weekend shows will start at 11 a.m. both days, with gates opening to the public at 8 a.m. The Midway and KidZone will open at 9 a.m. The air show will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the Blue Angels performing at about 3 p.m. each day. Admission and parking is free of charge. All general admission traffic should use the Gen. Cavazos Blvd. exit off Highway 77 and enter the air station through the main gate. Vendors, performers and VIPs only will enter the base through the Caesar Street gate.

## From the Bridge



Capt. Chris Misner  
Commanding Officer



Greetings,

March 28 we kick off our big weekend with the show rehearsal, "Air Show Pep Rally" at TAMUK and the "Meet the Blues Event" downtown. Of course Saturday, March 29, and Sunday, March 30, the show kicks off in earnest. Let me just start with saying thanks to all of the members of the show leadership who have helped make this event possible. They have worked hard for many months to bring this show to South Texas!

My goal for "Wings Over South Texas" is to provide something for every member of the family. From the thrill of aerial performances by the Blue Angels and all of our other aviation acts, to static display aircraft and first responder vehicles, to a KidZone for children, interactive video games by our military recruiting commands, to food and souvenir booths, and more!

I view this air show as a base-and-community event, celebrating not only NAS Kingsville's role in training Navy and Ma-

## In the Break



Capt. Donald Nisbett Jr.  
Commander  
Training Air Wing TWO



Greetings,

On behalf of the men and women of Training Air Wing TWO (TW-2), I would like to welcome you aboard Naval Air Station Kingsville for the "Wings Over South Texas Air Show." Last year's "regional" air show was cancelled and our nation's premier military flight demonstration team temporarily grounded due to a combination of sequestration and budget cuts. With only one week remaining, we welcome back to the skies over South Texas, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels.

The world's best Navy and Marine Corps pilots are trained right here in Kingsville! Four of your seven U.S. Navy Blue Angels F/A-18 pilots earned their "Wings of Gold" here in Kingsville, including the "Boss," Cmdr. Thomas Frosch (1995).

In close cooperation with the Naval Air Station and city of Kingsville, TW-2 has the responsibility for the operational and administrative support of squadrons responsible for the flight training of U.S. Navy, Marines Corps and select foreign military students. Presently, our two Training Squadrons, VT-

rine Corps Naval Aviators for the fleet, but also the unmatched support this air station has received from the local community for the past 72 years.

Air shows provide military installations and naval air stations in particular, a tremendous opportunity to open our gates and allow our biggest supporters – the American taxpayer and citizen – to share in the pride of our military, and see firsthand the remarkable equipment used and the skills demonstrated by the brave men and women who defend the republic each and every day.

As the Commanding Officer of our Naval Air Station, I have made it clear that, besides training Naval Aviators to defend the Republic, community outreach and a commitment to our city is a top priority for me. I truly believe that good neighbors are force multipliers. We are so blessed to have such great neighbors and friends who support our mission. We could not have planned and executed this fantastic show without the support of so many federal, state and local agencies. Their leadership, along with the many civic and volunteer groups that support us every day, make my job as Commanding Officer much easier.

Although only about one percent of America has served during these nearly thirteen years of war, I will never take for granted that ultimately it is the American

21 and VT-22, conduct undergraduate jet pilot training in the T-45 Goshawk to provide the fleet with fully half of the newly winged Navy and Marine Corps aviators. (<http://www.cnatra.navy.mil/tw2/>)

Our cadre of military instructors represents some of the finest in the Navy and Marine Corps and the fleet experience they impart on our students is invaluable. The TW-2 team, consisting of many civilians and contractors, has gotten our students ready, over the course of about 50 weeks to give them the basic skills necessary for follow-on flight training in a combat platform. The training has been done safely, efficiently and with the highest quality to assist our students in earning their "Wings of Gold."

This training represents a total team effort. Every individual has had a role to play in this active and ongoing process, and no role was insignificant. For more than 72 years, with the partnerships of the Naval Air Station and City of Kingsville, and the sur-

rounding Coastal Bend community, TW-2 has been able to shape the future of our military's leadership in training the finest Naval Aviators.

Naval Aviation has always served as a unique and strategic lever in executing our national and maritime strategies. Carrier-based Naval Aviation require no permanent overseas bases and provides our country's seagoing forces with air power over areas that may not be reachable by land-based aircraft. We are part of a professional Naval Aviation force that influences events in an unsettled world through presence and power. We exist to take the fight to our nation's enemies. But it takes more than aircraft and ordnance to project combat power; it takes an entire command working as a team. You will see that teamwork on display during the air show weekend.

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This paper is published for people like Firefighter Ramiro Camarillo who has been with the NAS Kingsville Fire Department since 2008. The San Angelo, Texas, native has 14 years federal service, which includes 5 years active duty with the Air Force.

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Rear Adm. Roy Kelley  
Chief of Naval Air  
Training



Greetings,

Welcome friends and fans of Naval Aviation to this year's "Wings Over South Texas" Air Show! We are thrilled to bring back the U.S. Navy Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Squadron this year and, having just flown with them earlier this month, I can guarantee that this will be a great event!

When you find time during the show, I encourage you to walk around and enjoy the static displays, to include multiple local training aircraft. If you are from the area, you probably see the orange and white trainers daily, but there is just nothing like meeting the instructors and students and seeing the planes on the ground. The Blue Angels are, after all, representatives of the fleet, so you may very well be meeting a future Blue Angel in one of our Student Naval Aviators!

Again, on behalf of Naval Air Training Command, welcome to South Texas and I truly hope this Air Show provides you and your family with wonderful memories for many years to come.

**SHOCKWAVE Jet Truck**

When Les Shockley created the SHOCKWAVE Jet Truck in 1984 he had no idea the major impact this triple jet engine monster would have on not only the drag racing world but also the airshow industry. SHOCKWAVE has literally become a national icon. Many fans say they saw this truck perform when they were kids. As a matter of fact Chris Darnell, who shares the driving responsibilities with his father Neal, got to ride in SHOCKWAVE when was 7, and now he's in the drivers' seat.

With Darnell Racing Enterprises' acquisition and rebuild of the famous SHOCKWAVE Jet Truck they had a very busy and successful 2013 season. Unbelievable is probably a better description. Show producers and fans are thrilled that SHOCKWAVE is back and the team couldn't be happier they all feel that way.

Darnell racing's new SHOCKWAVE Jet Truck & Flash Fire Jet Trucks Facebook® has literally been on fire all year. The team continues to update their website with exciting news, images and videos from shows all across the country. And anticipation and planning for SHOCKWAVE's 30th Anniversary Tour this year are well underway with over 15 shows already on the 2014 Schedule.



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## Gregory Colyer - T-33 - "Ace Maker"

Greg Colyer took first flight at age 7 in a C-172 and was hooked. He learned to fly while in the U.S. Army. Hooked ever since, Greg has been flying for almost three decades after earning his license in 1982 while serving in the US Army from 1982-1987.

Since leaving the service he has been employed by the FAA as an Air Traffic Controller at Oakland ARTCC. His passion for the cockpit never left him as he continued to fly as a hobby and an occasional air show flying a Beech T-34 Mentor until he imported a Russian L-29 Delfin Jet in 2003.

After flying with his friend Kay Eckhart, in one of Kay's Lockheed T-33s in 2007, Greg set his sights on an upgrade to the U.S. Air Force's first operational jet and a real piece of U.S. aviation history. He acquired a T-33 and named it "Ace Maker" in 2008. Then, founded the nonprofit (501c-3) T-33 Heritage Foundation to help in the preservation of the type.

Colyer holds a Commercial Pilot certificate with instrument, single and multi engine ratings as well as being a Certified Flight Instructor. Type rated in Aero Vodochody's L-29 Delfin, L-39 Albatros and the Lockheed T-33 Shooting Star. A level I Aerobatic low



level card and FAST lead formation card round out his qualifications.

Greg stays in shape for flying high performance aircraft by competitive cycling with the Taleo cycling team and an occasional Ironman Triathlon. Greg has been an Air Traffic Controller since 1988 at Oakland ARTCC.

The T-33 is the most widely used jet trainer in the

world. A two-seat version of the USAF's first jet fighter, the F-80 Shooting Star, the T-33 continues to serve in various armed forces today.

The T-33 is a F-80 with a lengthened fuselage to make room for the second tandem seat. It entered service during the 1950s, and the U.S. Navy also acquired the type and had it modified for blue-water operation as the TV-2. It was the USAF's first jet trainer. It soon was dubbed the 'T-Bird' and was being produced under license in both Japan and Canada. In Japan, Kawasaki built 210 of these trainers.

In Canada, the T-33 was designated the CL-30 Silver Star and the Allison turbojets of the original were replaced with Canadian built Rolls-Royce Nene 10 engines. The type still serves as a trainer for both countries. Limited numbers were also produced for export, some being modified to carry light armament. While only 1,718 P-80 Shooting Stars were built, nearly 7,000 T-33s saw active service around the world.

Until recently, the T-33 continued to serve in Canada as a target tug and general utility aircraft, having been re-designated the CT-133. Additional examples are still in active military service in Japan and several other nations. About 50 are in the hands of warbird operators, mostly in the United States.



## Matt Jolley - Air Show Announcer

Matt Jolley knows how to keep the audience in the action and your sponsors happy. He's an experienced entertainer, former television news anchor and current host of the world's only daily talk radio show for military aviation fans... Warbird Radio LIVE. Along with his work in the media, Matt also enjoys flying vintage military airplanes. He recently completed a 7,000 mile solo flight across the US and Canada in a former Royal Air Force DHC-1.



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Pilot Andrew Wright has been flying competition and airshow aerobatics in



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## Security information for air show visitors

Naval Air Station Kingsville, is pleased to welcome you and your family to the "Wings Over South Texas" 2014 Air Show. It is sure to be an action-packed event, with free admission, free parking and fun for the entire family.

The men and women of NAS Kingsville pledge that we will do everything we can to make sure your visit to the South Texas' only Jet training base is safe and fun. Additionally, we will make every attempt to lessen delays while entering or leaving the Air Show.

Air station gates will open to the public at 8 a.m. The flight line will be open at 9 a.m., where there will be various static displays, vendor booths and a KidZone with games and activities for children.

### Prohibited Items

In order to keep possibly dangerous items outside the flight line, ALL bags will be briefly inspected as you come through flight line entry points and all individuals will be subject to search.

To keep delays to a minimum, remember that the following items are not permitted on to the flight line and may be confiscated:

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- Alcoholic beverages

- Pets (other than service animals)
- Glass containers
- Bicycles, roller skates, roller blades or skateboards

### Authorized Items

All authorized items will be inspected prior to entering the flight line. It is recommended that spectators minimize the number and size of authorized items to reduce the time required for inspection prior to access into the flight line area.

The following items are permitted:

- PCS/cellular phones, pagers and FRS transceivers (may be asked to turn off / on)
- Handheld portable televisions, radios and scanners
- Small fanny packs and purses
- Cameras
- Folding chairs and lawn chairs (chairs in bags subject to search)
- Umbrellas and sunshades
- Wheelchairs
- Baby bags and strollers, if attending with an infant or small child (Strollers are not permitted in the grandstand area. Adjacent stroller parking is available).

### Smoking

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the flight line in the vicinity of aircraft, vendor tents or chalets.

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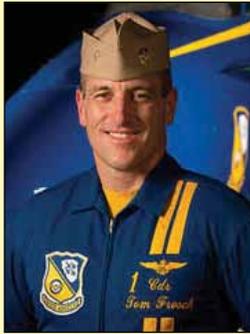
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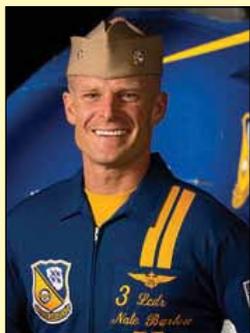
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**Cmdr. Thomas Frosch, USN**  
**Flight Leader/Commanding Officer**  
 Hometown: Clinton Township, Mich.  
 Primary training at NAS Corpus Christi.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in March 1995  
 at NAS Kingsville.



**Lt. Cmdr. John Hiltz, USN**  
**Right Wing/Blue Angel 2**  
 Hometown: Fort Mitchell, Ky.  
 Primary training at NAS Corpus Christi.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in August 2005  
 at NAS Meridian, Miss.



**Lt. Cmdr. Nate Barton, USN**  
**Left Wing/Blue Angel 3**  
 Hometown: Hummelstown, Pa.  
 Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in August 2005  
 at NAS Meridian, Miss.



**Capt. Brandon Cordill, USMC**  
**Slot/Blue Angel 4**  
 Hometown: Hemet, Calif.  
 Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in June 2006  
 at NAS Kingsville.



## U.S. Navy Blue Angels

A total of 16 officers voluntarily serve with the Blue Angels. Each year the team typically selects three tactical (fighter or fighter/attack) jet pilots, two support officers and one Marine Corps C-130 pilot to relieve departing members.

The Chief of Naval Air Training selects the "Boss," the Blue Angels Commanding Officer. Boss must have at least 3,000 tactical jet flight-hours and have commanded a tactical jet squadron. The Commanding Officer flies the Number 1 jet.

Career-oriented Navy and Marine Corps jet pilots with an aircraft carrier qualification and a minimum of 1,250 tactical jet flight-hours are eligible for positions flying jets Number 2 through 7. The Events Coordinator, Number 8, is a Naval Flight Officer (NFO) or a Weapons Systems Officer (WSO) who meets the same criteria as Numbers 2 through 7. The Marine Corps pilots flying the C-130T Hercules aircraft, affectionately known as "Fat Albert," must be aircraft commander qualified with at least 1,200 flight hours.

Career-oriented officers specializing in maintenance, administration, aviation medicine, public affairs and supply fill support positions. The Blue Angels base their selection of officers on professional ability, military bearing and communication skills. Blue Angels officers are well-rounded representatives of their fleet counterparts.

Demonstration pilots, the Events Coordinator, Maintenance Officer and Flight Surgeon serve two years with the squadron. The other officers typically serve three years with the team. Blue Angels officers return to the fleet after their tours of duty.

The Blue Angels' support team is comprised of the Events Coordinator, Maintenance Officer, Flight Surgeon, Administrative Officer, Public Affairs Officer, Supply Officer and approximately 100 enlisted Sailors and Marines. Alternating crews of about 45 team members travel to each show site. All career-oriented enlisted Sailor or Marine applicants come recommended for Blue Angel duty by their current commanding officer. Applicants go through extensive screening, including interviewing with the members of each of the 15 squadron work centers. The keen selection process secures the squadron's tradition of excellence, ensuring the Blue Angels are a direct reflection of the professionalism of today's Sailors and Marines. After completing their Blue Angel tour, individuals return to the fleet to continue their naval careers.

Selected enlisted personnel volunteer for a three-year tour with the squadron. Though every team member brings skills in a distinct job specialty, each is expected to work beyond that specialty, contributing to the overall effectiveness of the Blue Angels. The squadron consists of seven distinct departments, jointly responsible for guaranteeing command readiness. A tribute to this dedicated team is the fact that the Blue Angels have never canceled an air show due to a maintenance problem.



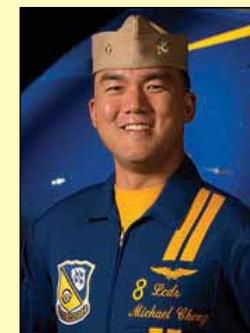
**Lt. Cmdr. Dave Tickle, USN**  
**Lead Solo/Blue Angel 5**  
 Hometown: Birmingham, Ala.  
 Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in August 2005  
 at NAS Meridian, Miss.



**Lt. Mark Tedrow, USN**  
**Opposing Solo/Blue Angel 6**  
 Hometown: Charleroi, Pa.  
 Primary training at NAS Corpus Christi.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in August 2006  
 at NAS Kingsville.



**Lt. Ryan Chamberlain, USN**  
**Narrator/Blue Angel 7**  
 Hometown: Bloomington, Ill.  
 Primary training at NAS Corpus Christi.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in November 2008  
 at NAS Kingsville.



**Lt. Cmdr. Michael Cheng, USN**  
**Events Coordinator/Blue Angel 8**  
 Hometown: San Francisco, Calif.  
 Primary training at NAS Pensacola, Fla.  
 Earned Wings of Gold in June 2002  
 at NAS Pensacola, Fla.



**Capt. A.J. Harrell  
USMC  
C-130 Pilot**

Hometown: Frederick, Md.  
Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla. Earned Wings of Gold in August 2006 at NAS Corpus Christi.



**Maj. Mike Van Wyk  
USMC  
C-130 Pilot**

Hometown: Orland Park, Ill.  
Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla. Earned Wings of Gold in August 2005 at NAS Corpus Christi.



**Capt. Dusty Cook  
USMC  
C-130 Pilot**

Hometown: East Bernard, Texas  
Primary training at NAS Whiting Field, Fla. Earned Wings of Gold in April 2006 at NAS Corpus Christi.

## Fat Albert Airlines

The Blue Angels maintenance and support crew travel aboard a Marine Corps C-130 Hercules aircraft, affectionately known as “Fat Albert.” The C-130 is a tactical transport aircraft built by Lockheed Martin and is flown by an all-Marine crew consisting of three pilots and five enlisted aircrew.

Integrated in 1970, “Fat Albert” now flies more than 100,000 miles each season, carrying approximately 45 maintenance and support personnel, along with the specialized equipment needed to complete

a successful air show. Every show week, “Fat Albert” departs Pensacola in advance of the demonstration jets to prepare for their arrival at each show site. The Blue Angels could not perform without this versatile aircraft.

In addition to providing logistical support for the team, “Fat Albert” opens the show by displaying the tactical flight characteristics of the C-130 aircraft. “Fat Albert” begins the flight demonstration with a low-transition takeoff maximum effort climb, sending the Hercules skyward at a

45-degree, nose-up attitude to an altitude of 1000 feet, simulating conditions in a hostile combat environment. The C-130 concludes its profile by demonstrating its maximum-effort braking capability, bringing the aircraft to a full stop in less than 1,000 feet.

“Fat Albert” weighs 155,000 pounds fully loaded, is powered by four Rolls-Royce turbo-prop engines producing more than 18,000 shaft horsepower and cruises at speeds of more than 320 knots (approximately 370 miles per hour) at altitudes as high as 35,000 feet. “Fat Albert” was designed as a tactical

transport aircraft capable of lifting heavy payloads into and out of unimproved airstrips as short as 2,500 feet long. Additionally, Marine Corps KC-130s provide aerial delivery and in-flight refueling of jet, helicopter and tilt rotor aircraft in support of worldwide military operations.

The all-Marine flight crew assigned to the squadron’s C-130 Hercules is responsible for transporting road-crew personnel, supplies and equipment to and from each show site throughout the season.

## Rob Holland

Rob Holland Ultimate Airshows is proud to announce that during in late September 2013, Rob Holland once again successfully defended his U.S. National Unlimited Aerobatic Championship in Denton, Texas. Competing against the very best aerobatic pilots in the country, Rob won all three of the determining flights to bring home the gold medal. This was his third consecutive title flying his custom built MXS/RH aircraft - having also won the national championship in 2011 and 2012.

In addition to dominating the ‘classic’ portion of the competition which is very structured and scored under tight guidelines, Rob also won the ‘4 minute freestyle’ flight which allows each competitor to be more creative, include tumbling maneuvers, use smoke, and fly their routine to choreographed music.

Just two weeks after bringing home gold at the U.S. Nationals, Rob won the 4 Minute Freestyle Title at the World Championships, also held in Texas last year. Some 60 competitors from around the globe gathered for the competition which also resulted in a Team Silver Medal for Team USA.





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## Disabled American Veterans Flight Team

Nearly 70 years ago, 16 B-25 Mitchell bombers launched off an aircraft carrier to conduct the famed Doolittle Raid over Japan. The mission proved to be one of the most galvanizing events of the Second World War - establishing the B-25 as a symbol of American military strength and determination.

Today, in its modern-day mission with the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Flight Team, the B-25 serves as a reminder of the sacrifices veterans make for freedom.

In the company of this historic bomber, the DAV Flight Team travels to air shows throughout the country increasing public awareness of disabled veterans and providing information about DAV programs and benefits.

The North American B-25J was among the most famous twin engine medium bombers used during World War II. It was the most widely produced American twin engine combat aircraft.

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"The DAV is thrilled to bring our message of volunteerism and support to our nation's sick and disabled veterans to the 'Wings Over South Texas' air show this year," said DAV National Commander Joseph W. Johnston. "We believe the men, women and children who will visit this air show are the patriotic, military-friendly citizens that have helped make this nation so great. DAV is proud to be among this crowd, and meet those who want to know more about our service to veterans."

Disabled American Veterans, representing more than 1.2 million disabled veterans, is a non-profit organization founded in 1920 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1932. It is dedicated to one, single purpose: building better lives for our nation's disabled veterans and their families.

Learn more about the DAV Program by visiting their Web site at: <http://www.davflightteam.com> or visit their Facebook page at: <http://www.facebook.com/davflightteam>



**Air Show**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Will the show be cancelled due to inclement weather? How will we know?**

A decision on whether or not the show will be cancelled due to weather will be made as early as possible the day of each show. Our Public Affairs staff will notify media the morning of the show, if there is any change to the schedule.

You can check the Air Show Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/wost2014> or the NAS Kingsville command Web Site at [http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas\\_kingsville.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/installations/nas_kingsville.html), for the latest announcements.

You can also call the Air Show information line at (361) 516-6375. This information line will be updated each day during air show week.

**When will the Blue Angels perform?**

The Blue Angels are scheduled to perform at 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday for the public shows.

**Can I bring a pop-up canopy tents (10'x 10') for shade?**

No, but you can bring umbrellas and folding chairs. Umbrella use will be dependent on wind conditions the day of the show.

**Can we bring in picnic lunches and drinks?**

No, but there are a large number of food vendors on the flight line with a huge assortment of foods at reasonable prices.

**Where do I park?**

All spectators will be allowed to park aboard NAS Kingsville for convenient access to the air show venue.

**Where can I get a schedule of events and performers for the day so I know what time different acts are flying?**

A schedule of performers and sequence of events will be posted throughout the Midway during the weekend show. This schedule will list the sequence of performances but will not detail the exact time of each performance, since it is subject to change.

**Security from page 6**

- be available for rent at the Air Show
- Sun protection, including hat, long-sleeved shirts and long pants and sun screen are recommended
  - Water will be available throughout the Air Show area
  - Wear comfortable foot gear; the flight line is paved and you may walk long distances.
  - All vendor vehicles will be subject to search.

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## Justin Lewis - FLS MicroJet

The FLS MicroJet, piloted by Justin Lewis, is a fully-updated version of the BD-5 featured in the film Octopussy, piloted by James Bond. The original BD-5 was created in the 1970's by Jim Bede of Bede Aircraft, Inc. It was an aircraft that could be built at home using a kit, offering a high performance propeller or jet aircraft at just a fraction of the normal costs. But due to logistics, the aircraft proved too difficult to build.

Bede Aircraft went out of business after just a few years, and it looked like the BD-5 was going to follow. But in 1992, BD Micro Technologies was formed and a long process to update the design of the aircraft with today's technical advances began. The result is the FLS (Flight Line Series) series, which Lewis flies today.

Lewis, a former Naval Aviator and current pilot with the Arkansas Air National Guard, is excited to bring his microjet to NAS Kingsville for the 2014 “Wings Over South Texas” Air Show. For Lewis, who was born in Texas and raised in Virginia, “Wings Over South Texas” is a ‘homecoming’ of sorts. He earned his wings of gold at NAS Kingsville in 2001 with VT-21. He came back to NAS Kingsville in 2007 and spent four years as an instructor pilot with VT-22

before leaving the Navy and shifting to the Arkansas Air National Guard.

“I’m excited to be coming to NAS Kingsville for the “Wings Over South Texas” air show,” Lewis said recently. “I’ve got a lot of great memories from my time in Kingsville and our team is thrilled to be showcasing our aircraft during the show.”

Lewis continues to fly in the Air National Guard today but he has also expanded his horizons to perform at air shows throughout the country in his FLS MicroJet. He made his debut on the air show circuit in July 2011, and he has quickly become an act that air show directors seek out when they begin to plan their air shows.

The aircraft has a top speed of 320 mph, a maximum range of 200 nautical miles and a max landing of 6-plus G's. It has a wing span of 17 ft., a length of 13 ft., and stands 5 ft., 9 inches tall. It features a Quantum Turbine System engine, with a thrust of 265 lbs.

“Just look at it,” Lewis says about the aircraft. “You’d think there is no way a person could fit in the cockpit. It’s so unique. It’s impossible for people to believe that anything that small could also have such high performance.”





## Randy Ball - MiG Pilot

Randy W. Ball / MiG Pilot is a sixth generation Texan who spent his early years in rural Texas, the same as most of his ancestors, graduating from high school with a class of only 29. All of Randy's time, however, wasn't spent on the 'ranch'. His father took him flying and he spent countless hours with one of his heroes, his great uncle Gilbert Ball, who flew 56 missions over Europe flying the B-17 Flying Fortress. Randy would ask questions and listen to his uncle's stories by the hour.

Even before college, Randy knew he wanted to fly. By the time he was 13 years old, he had already taken off and landed a plane with his father and soloed at the age of 18. Randy volunteered to work in his first air show in 1982 and flew in his first air show more than 23 years ago. He performs throughout North America, from Canada to Mexico. He has flown more than 1,000 performances, making him one of the most internationally recognized jet



aerobatic pilots ever. In fact, Randy is the only pilot in all of North America- (Civilian, or Military) to hold an FAA Unlimited Aerobatic rating for both Day and Night, in jet fighters. Randy has more than 23 years of air show experience, with over 950 hours in Russian Jet Fighters and 12,000 hours total flying time.

Randy Occasionally flies as the enemy aircraft with the USAF F-4. His solo demo is design to resemble the tactical demo of the F-16 Falcon, the first fighter that could out-turn the Vietnam era MiG-17. During his demo in the MIG-17F, he routinely pulls 8-Gs and reaches speeds approaching 700 mph all while sometimes flying less than 100 feet off the ground.



**Ready for the show** -- Pilots of the U.S. Navy flight demonstration squadron, the Blue Angels, render a salute during the team's first demonstration of 2014 at the Naval Air Facility El Centro Air Show March 15. The Blues showcased their "throwback" gold flight suits at the show. Throughout the history of the Blue Angels, the gold flight suit has been worn to commemorate special milestones for the Navy and Marine Corps' premier flight demonstration squadron. The Blue Angels are scheduled to perform 68 demonstrations at 34 locations across the U.S. in 2014, including the "Wings Over South Texas" air show at NAS Kingsville March 29-30. (Photo by MC2 Andrea Perez)

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## Jan Collmer

Jan was born in Dallas in 1934, graduated from Jesuit high school and earned an associate degree in mechanical engineering from Arlington State College. He joined the Navy Flight Program in Pensacola, Fla., in 1954 and recorded his first carrier landing in April 1955 and his Navy Wings of Gold in January 1956. He flew the early Navy jets such as the Panther, Cougar, Banshee, and Fury and finally the Dallas-built Chance Vought F8U Crusader fighter. He was on active duty four years and then served eight years in the Reserves at Naval Air Station Dallas (now NAS Fort Worth).

Jan began air show flying in 1978. With more than 35 years of air show flying behind him, he still performs at a number of military air shows every year – including NAS Kingsville, NAS Corpus Christi, NAS (Dallas)/Fort Worth, NAS New Orleans, and NAS Pensacola.

Collmer has performed at more than 400 shows over the last 30 years. His aircraft plane is a German built Extra 300L, one of the finest acrobatic planes made.

## Paul Fiala Air Shows

Paul Fiala has been flying for 60 years and has more than 22,000 flying hours. A native of Corpus Christi, Paul served as the corporate pilot for the King Ranch for 37

years before retiring in August 2012. Paul began flying at the age of 15 and obtained his commercial pilot's license which attending High School in Corpus Christi. In his early career, he was a charter pilot and flight instructor. He served in the US Air Force from 1958-1962. After his discharge, he flew for a commercial drilling company, but in 1975 he took a job with the King Ranch Flight Department. He completed his Corporate Jet Training in New York as well as the American Airlines Flight Academy in Dallas/ Ft. Worth. In 2005, he was awarded the FAA Wright Bros. "Master Pilot" award for 50 years of safe flying and contribution to Aviation.

His hobby and passion is aerobatic flying. He is a member of the International Aerobatic Club and Graduate of the Gene Soucy School of Aerobatics. He has performed for 30 years with many of the world's top performers and military flight teams, flying his yellow Great Lakes Biplane, a throwback to the old barnstorming days of aviation.

Paul and wife Pat live in Houston, Texas, and operate their Great Lakes Biplane out of La Porte, Texas.



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