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Kids Corner added to Wyo. Air National Guard air show

CHEYENNE, Wyo. -The Wyoming Air National Guard's free Military Air and Ground Show is back this year, on July 27, with an amazing display of military air and ground power.

The free air show is focused on the family and will feature a Kids Corner which will include the Fry Fun Farms Petting Zoo, United States Air Force Academy Falconry Team, climbing wall and bouncy houses complete with a racecar jump, rocketship jump, 18-foot slide, hot air balloon combo, and all-star hoops basketball.

Gates open at 8 a.m. at the Wyoming Air National Guard base, 217 Dell Range Blvd for the public to view the many static displays. Only shuttle bus traffic will be allowed on to the base due to security and parking restrictions. There is no parking available on the base. The shuttle bus route has been revamped this year to ensure speedy and regular access to the show. Pedestrian foot traffic will still be allowed through the main gate. All visitors must bring an ID, be aware that bags will be searched and cannot have glass containers or pocket knives on the installation.

Shuttle buses will leave continuously from the Frontier Mall's north side, between Dillard's and Sears. The Frontier Mall is located at 1400 Dell Range Blvd.

At 9:45 spectators will be able to view the Thunderbirds ground demonstration before they take off for their show over Laramie County Community College. The show is not visible

from the Guard Base. Aerial events over the base will begin with the U.S. Air Force Academy's Wings of Blue parachute jump at noon.

More than 10,000 people annually attend the Wyoming National Guard's event.

Event organizers anticipate a similar crowd for the upcoming show, which ends at 4 p.m.

This year's attendees will also be treated to a variety of aerial acrobatics and military flybys.

"Aerial events include a fiery demonstration courtesy of an A-10 Warthog around 3 p.m.," said Maj. Ryan Hendrickson, air show director. "The public should expect several large explosions during the show. Rest assured that they are a professionally orchestrated part of the show."

Static aircraft currently scheduled for display throughout the day include a T-6 Texan; T-44 Pegasus; T-1 Jayhawk; A-10 Warthog; F-16 Fighting Falcon; P-51 Mustang; UH-1; UH-60; C-5 Galaxy; C-130 H3 Hercules Modular Airborne Firefighting Platform; MiG 17 Fresco; Stearman; TBM Avenger; DC-3, Flagship Detroit; CAF Strip Wing; Extra 300, and the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds.

The Wyoming Air National Guard Air Show schedule of events is as follows:

- * 8 a.m.: Air Show gates open, static displays and vendors all day
- * 8:30 a.m.: Shuttle buses begin running
- * 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.: various flyovers and aerial demonstrations
- * 4 p.m.: Air Show gates close

For more information on the Wyoming Air National Guard Air Show, call (307) 772-5229.

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Media outlets needing to drive onto the base at any time July 27, must coordinate with Public Affairs before 4 p.m. July 26, to ensure access.

Media members are also welcome to enter the base via the Frontier Mall shuttle buses and as a pedestrian through the front gate during regular air show hours; however, please call the public affairs office to assist with interviews with performers and air show staff.