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## Dayton's "Big Show" takes off next weekend! ...get ready for the 2021 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger

Dayton, Ohio – Headlined by the world-renowned **U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds**, the 2021 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger will launch its 46<sup>th</sup> annual show next weekend on July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at the Dayton International Airport. The Thunderbirds will be joined by other military favorites in the air including, the **U.S. Navy Super Hornet and Legacy Flight** demonstration team, the **U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III** demonstration team and the **U.S. Army Golden Knights** Parachute Team.

The 2021 show is back to its normal format and will feature many other top attractions and ground displays. Here's a glimpse of the feature show flying attractions spectators will see at Dayton's premier summer event:

- **AeroShell Aerobatic Team -** This award-winning formation team will remind you of yesteryear when they thrill spectators with their four, 600-horsepower, radial engine T-6 Texan aerobatic routine.
- **Mike Wiskus** Watch this National Aerobatic Champion's incredible performance in his Lucas Oil highly-modified Pitts aircraft "Super Stinker". If you can believe it, he bought the aircraft on eBay as a wrecked airplane.
- **Jacquie B...Ladies, it's Time to Fly** See this accomplished female aerobatic pilot put her Extra 300S aircraft through the paces. She spends time inspiring children to do great things. Go girl!
- **Shockwave** Powered by three afterburning jet engines producing 36,000 HP, Shockwave is the Guinness Book world-record holder for the fastest jet truck in the world at 376 MPH. Fans love it!



World Renowned U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds



**National Aerobatic Champion Mike Wiskus** 

There will also be plenty to see and do on the ground:

- Impressive aircraft displays Tour over 50 aircraft from modern military to historic to unique civilian airplanes such as the massive Air Force KC-10 tanker, the Navy F-18 Super Hornet fighter, the Navy MH 60 Blackhawk helicopter, carrier-based Navy E-2D Hawkeye, and the oldest flying DC-3 Flagship Detroit and more.
- Meet and greet the members of the U.S. military Let the men and women of our military show you the impressive aircraft and equipment they use to protect our freedom. It's a great opportunity to thank them for their service to our country.
- Fun for the entire family including the CenterPoint Energy Kids' Hangar, along with interactive activities and displays. Don't miss out on the delicious food, beverages and souvenirs for your special day.at one of the greatest air shows in the country.

"What an awesome show we have for you in 2021," said Scott Buchanan, Chairman of the United States Air and Trade Show Board of Trustees, producers of the show. "It's so great to be back. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the City of Dayton, City of Vandalia, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, all the sponsors, volunteers, and fans for making the show possible. "This would not be possible without all of you, and we look forward to a sensational weekend," he added.

2021 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger tickets include the popular Pavilion and Blue Sky Chalet specialty seating options and the bargain Synchrony Family Four Packs and are now on sale at the show's website, <a href="https://www.daytonairshow.com">www.daytonairshow.com</a>. Customers enjoy convenient print-at-home or print-to-mobile options on all website purchases.

Deep discount general admission tickets are also available for purchase at over 100 Kroger stores in the Dayton and Cincinnati region.



U.S. Navy E-2D Advanced Hawkeye carrier based aircraft will be on static display



Kids being photographed by Mom and Dad in engine of FedEx Boeing 757 aircraft

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Founded in 1975, the CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger is one of North America's premier air shows. It features world-class aerobatic champions, military jet demonstrations and entertainment for the whole family, celebrating Dayton's rich aviation heritage as home of the Wright Brothers, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force and National Aviation Heritage Area. It is produced by the United States Air and Trade Show, Inc., a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit Ohio corporation that relies on sponsorship and community support to offset costs. The Dayton/Montgomery County Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates the show adds \$3.6 million to the region's economy every year.