

Airshow Bios

Full Throttle Formation Team



The [Full Throttle Formation Team](https://fullthrottleairshows.com/) is the largest precision formation team in the United States. Led by Dave “Torque” Romuald, the team flies a variety of conventional and tail wheel aircraft from the Vans Aircraft Company; most of the aircraft in the team were actually built by the pilots themselves.

We welcome the Full Throttle Formation Team to this year's airshow in Wildwood, New Jersey!

Website: <https://fullthrottleairshows.com/>

Boeing KC-46A Pegasus



Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst will be providing a Boeing KC-46A Pegasus flyover for the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow. The KC-46 is the most advanced aerial refueling platform in service with the [United States Air Force](#).

Mark Meredith



Mark Meredith's aviation career began with the Navy, graduating from the US Naval Academy in 1979 then Naval Flight Officer training in Pensacola. He was an A-6 Bombardier/Navigator but spent most of his Navy career as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer, managing logistics and programs.

He attended the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA, and served on many different aircraft carriers including as the Aircraft Maintenance Officer on USS Theodore Roosevelt and on Atlantic Fleet and Carrier Group staffs. He retired as a Captain in 2004 then continued to serve the Navy for 9 years as president of M. S. Meredith Consulting, supporting acquisition programs and Pentagon staffs. Then he left staff work in 2013 to finish rebuilding his [Classic Airshows Super Chipmunk!](https://classicairshows.com/)

Website: <https://classicairshows.com/>

SCOTT FRANCIS



Scott Francis has been flying in airplanes for as long as he can remember. Born and raised in Wichita, KS, he flew often with his father who was an experimental test pilot. Scott received his private license in high school, and has gone on to earn his commercial, instrument, multi-engine, and Airline Transport Pilot certifications. He has logged over 5,800 flight hours in more than 40 types of aircraft and is type rated in the Dash 8, King Air 350, and Boeing 737. Scott is currently a pilot for a major U.S. airline.

In addition, Scott possesses a surface level aerobatic waiver and flies in more than 30 airshows each year. He particularly enjoys interacting with spectators before and after each show. When he isn't flying an "away show", he can be seen performing at the Flying Circus in Bealeton, VA every Sunday from May through October.

We welcome Scott to this year's airshow over Wildwood!

Website: <https://www.scottfrancisairshows.com/>

Randy Ball



The Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-17 is a high-subsonic fighter aircraft produced in the Soviet Union from 1952 and was operated by air forces internationally. The MiG-17 was license-built in China as the Shenyang J-5 and Poland as the PZL-Mielec Lim-6. The MiG-17 is still being used by the North Korean air force in the present day and has seen combat in the Middle East and Asia.

The MiG-17 was an advanced modification of the MiG-15 aircraft produced by the Soviet Union during the Korean War. Production of the MiG-17 was too late for use in that conflict and was first used in the Second Taiwan Strait Crisis in 1958. While the MiG-17 was designed to shoot down slower American bombers, it showed surprising success when used by North Vietnamese pilots to combat American fighters and fighter-bombers during the Vietnam War, nearly a decade after its initial design. This was due to the MiG-17 being more agile and maneuverable than the American F-4 Phantom and F-105 Thunderchief, which were focused on speed and long range combat, as well as the fact that MiG-17 was armed with guns, which initial models of the F-4 Phantom lacked.

We welcome RANDY W. BALL and FIGHTERJETS INC to the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow with not one but two MiG-17s! <https://www.fighterjetsinc.com>

GOLDEN KNIGHTS



The United States Army Parachute Team, nicknamed the Golden Knights, is a demonstration and competition parachute team of the United States Army. It consists of demonstration and competition parachutist teams, drawn from all branches of the [U.S. Army](#). Members must demonstrate excellence in parachuting.

The two Golden Knights demonstration teams travel the United States (and occasionally overseas), performing for public audiences at venues ranging from relatively small civic events to nationally and internationally televised events (such as Monday Night Football games, [NASCAR](#) races, and large international airshows). The two, 12-member teams travel around 240 days per year, and use the team's two Bombardier C-147A jump aircraft as their primary means of transportation.

The 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow welcomes the [US Army Golden Knights](#) to Wildwood, Beach NJ.

COAST GUARD AIR STATION ATLANTIC CITY



[Coast Guard Air Station Atlantic City](#) will be providing a search and rescue demonstration with the MH-65E Dolphin. Twelve MH-65Es are based at CGAS Atlantic City with two

aircraft on a 30-minute alert status at all times. Please keep in mind that their participation at the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow is subject to change due to real world missions and other considerations.

Patrick McAlee



Patrick McAlee is a highly skilled airshow pilot who mixes extreme intensity with his passion to produce a unique and entertaining airshow. Patrick executes his high-energy ExtremeFlight airshow to a selected music playlist that is precise, professional, and safe. Since its first inception, Pat's dream has led him to fly airshows nationally with global aspirations, including over 2,500 aerobatic hours with over 16,000 total hours flying different aircraft. Patrick competed in aerobatics for five years and has been performing airshows for over nine years.

Schultz Airshows and the Wildwoods, New Jersey welcomes Patrick McAlee to the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow! <https://www.extreme-flight.com>

The New Jersey Air National Guard 177th Fighter Wing



The New Jersey Air National Guard's [177th Fighter Wing](#), will be providing a flyover of the Lockheed Martin F-16C Fighting Falcon for this year's airshow at the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow. The F-16 is the [United States Air Force](#)'s first lightweight multi-role fighter, capable of performing both air-to-air and air-to-ground missions in the same flight

Jerry Conley



Air Force veteran and author Jerry Conley of [Vampire Airshows](https://vampireairshows.simdif.com/) will be in attendance flying his DeHavilland Vampire, which was developed as the world's first single-engine jet fighter. Having more than 42 years' experience, Jerry's flying experience includes aircraft such as Beechcraft Bonanza, Cessna 172, Citabria, Super Decathlon, SAI Marchetti, Bell Helicopters, HA-200 Casa Jet, DeHavilland DH-115 Vampire, DeHavilland DH-112 Swiss Venom, L-39 Albatross, AVL-29, and the BAC Strikemaster. Jerry has performed at airshows across the country fly high performance jet aircraft for more than 15 years. Jerry holds a Surface Level Aerobatic card with Solo Jet certification and dogfight.

We look forward to having Jerry flying the DeHaviland Vampire over the skies of Wildwood, NJ.

Website: <https://vampireairshows.simdif.com/>

Greg Colyer



Greg “Wired” Colyer, a native Californian and Army vet who spent 27 years as an Air Traffic Controller in the Oakland, CA area, will be piloting the Ace Maker T-33 Shooting Star. When he’s not flying airshows, he is teaching at either Edwards AFB or at NAS Patuxent River in the respective service’s Test Pilots School or flying corporate aircraft.

We welcome [Gregory W Colyer/Ace Maker Airshows](#) to the 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow.

Website: <https://acemakeraviation.com/>

The Jersey Jerks



The [Jersey Jerks](#) are a group of aviators who reside throughout New Jersey and own various models of the North American T-6 and SNJ Texan. The Jerks pay tribute and honor Maj. Gen. Donald Strait, an East Orange, New Jersey native who flew P-47 Thunderbolt and P-51 Mustang fighters, which were frequently painted with nicknames such as “Big Ass Bird” or “The Hun Hunter.” Each member of the Jersey Jerks is FAST formation qualified. They all share the same passion for aviation as well as telling the stories of the men who fought in World War II.

The four pilots that make up the Jersey Jerks are Buzz Cortese, a women's' health professional; Kevin Russo, an Air Force Reserve veteran and corporate pilot; Gavin Nagle, a recent college graduate of Rutgers University in New Brunswick; and John "Pico" Mazure, an owner and operator of a popular South Jersey jump zone.

We would like to welcome the Jersey Jerks to Wildwood, New Jersey!

Website: <http://www.kevinrussoairshows.com>

Kevin Russo



Air Force veteran and New Jersey resident Kevin Russo will be flying his solo aerobatic routine in the North American SNJ-6 Texan over The Wildwoods, New Jersey. Today, Kevin is a corporate pilot with many thousands of hours in jet aircraft including the C-141B Starlifter and the C-17 Globemaster III and owns this beautiful Texan alongside his Beechcraft Bonanza.

Website: <http://www.kevinrussoairshows.com>

The **Airbosses** for 2025 Wildwoods Thunder Over The Waves Airshow are **David Schultz and Greg Witmer**. Both David and Greg are authorized by the FAA to serve as a Recognized Air Boss-Multi Venue.



The President of **David Schultz** Airshows and a pioneer in Airshow Standardization, David Schultz is recognized by the FAA for his innovation in Standards that continue to increase Airshow Safety. He is an Honorary US Army Golden Knight and is very well respected by International Militaries and civilian performers for his attention to detail. David has set the standard in which Airshow Performer Briefings are conducted. Performers, Military Wing and Base Commanders, Safety Officials, and the FAA have stated for over two decades that Schultz Airshows' Performer Briefings are the Best in the Business.

David has provided Airboss duties to numerous military locations such as Naval Base Ventura County, CA; Dover AFB, DE; Tyndall AFB, FL; Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ; Seymour Johnson AFB, NC; and NAS Kingsville, TX; to name a few. He has extensive experience conducting airshows at airports with commercial air service such as in Flint, MI; North Charleston, SC (Joint Base Charleston); and in Latrobe, PA. Beachfront airshows such as Biloxi, MS; Atlantic City, NJ; the Corpus Christi Bayfront and at South Padre Island, TX are just a few of the over-water locations where David has provided Airboss duties.

For nearly three decades, David has been instructing airshow performers and organizers on the aspects of airshow safety, operations, and planning. He is a regular speaker at regional Airshow Meetings all around North America. David annually conducts airshow coordination, planning, and operations with events all over the United States including locations such as Binghamton, NY; the Pocono Raceway in Long Pond, PA; Corpus Christi, TX; and the Cheyenne, WY Frontier Days at F.E. Warren AFB, among many others.

Greg Witmer, the Vice President of Operations for David Schultz Airshows, has been with Schultz Airshows for nearly 30 years and he has been at the helm of well over 300 airshows throughout the continental United States and the Caribbean. In addition to holding a private pilot's license, Greg is well-known and respected for his work with the Warbird Communities.



He has provided Airboss duties at large beachfront airshows in Atlantic City and Ocean City, NJ, the San Cristobal Old San Juan Waterfront in Puerto Rico, and along the Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic Malecon Waterfront. Greg is also very highly experienced

with airshows at U.S. military installations, having provided Airboss duties at Dover AFB, DE; Keesler AFB, MS; Malmstrom AFB, MT; Grand Forks AFB, ND; Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ; Cannon AFB, NM; Fairchild AFB, WA; and many others.

He has experience with civilian airshows located within highly complex airspaces, providing Airboss duties for airshows in Peru, IL; Binghamton, NY; Toughkenamon, PA; Manassas, VA, and many others.

Greg is also in charge of David Schultz Airshows' Professional Ground Operations Staff, who are considered to be the very best and knowledgeable group of Professionals in the Airshow Business worldwide. He is also responsible for the upkeep and operational standards of our Ground Support Equipment.

“Fast” **Eddie Leuter** will be your **Announcer** for the 2025 Wildwoods Roar over the Ocean Airshow. Eddie has been announcing airshows for over three decades and is highly knowledgeable on aerobatic routines, warbirds, and vintage aircraft histories. He is a very personable and family-friendly announcer for any Airshow Event.



In 1985, Fast Eddie joined up with the Alpha Squadron Radio Control Model Airport Demonstrations Team as a videographer. From there, he went to model glider pilot and eventually wound up as Narrator and Manager for the team. In 1994, Eddie took the plunge and decided to become a Professional Airshow Announcer. With the help of many friends, this dream became a reality. Fast Eddie joined David Schultz Airshows in 2023; his first

airshow with the Company was the 2023 Wings Over Cannon Airshow at Cannon AFB in Clovis, New Mexico. Since that time, Eddie has announced at airshows at Dover AFB, DE; Flint, MI; Ocean City, NJ; Latrobe, PA; Leesburg, VA; and Martinsburg, WV; to name a few.

When Eddie isn't at an airshow, you can find him either flying his radio control model aircraft or cruising the countryside on his motorcycle.