



## NEWS RELEASE

# ALBERTA INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW FLIES HIGH THIS WEEKEND

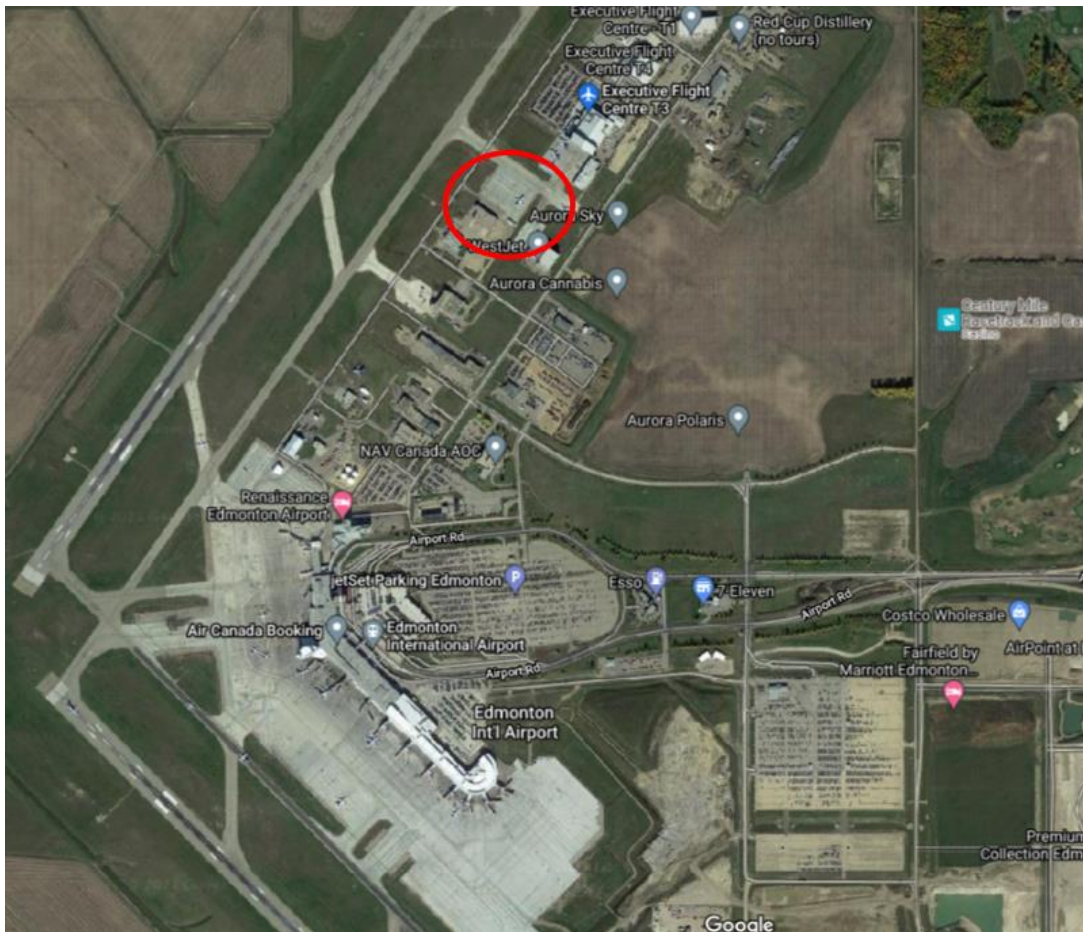
VILLENEUVE, AB – August 18, 2021 – The Alberta International Airshow is back to wow the crowds on Saturday, August 21 and Sunday, August 22 at Villeneuve Airport, just 8km west of St. Albert.

## MEDIA AVAILABILITY for the weekend

**Thursday, August 19** – Interviews, video and photo opportunities.

Edmonton International Airport (EIA) , Apron 4 Right across from Aurora Cannabis , **5-6pm**.

The Red Devils, A-10 pilots, the Growler, and other military performers will be available with their planes.





**Friday, August 20** – Villeneuve Airport Full rehearsal day. Media permitted anytime after noon. Photo and video opportunity. Call Dean at 780-983-9954 for access

**Saturday and Sunday, August 21 + 22** – Show days. Aerial show runs from noon until approximately 4:30pm.

Formally the Edmonton Airshow, the airshow will now be known as the Alberta International Airshow to address the regional and provincial nature of the event.

The Airshow is a two-day event offering family friendly fun all weekend long! There will be a kids' zone with lots of activities for kids, food trucks, and an impressive static line up. Aerobatic demonstrations will take place all afternoon and each day features a flyover from different unique aircraft.

Tickets are available online, [www.abairshow.com](http://www.abairshow.com). General admission tickets are \$25 + tax and service in advance, or \$30 at the Gate (tax and service included). Kids under 7 years of age are free.

Due to our space limitations, Plus and Premium tickets are SOLD OUT.

The shows on Saturday and Sunday are almost the same. Some planes are operational aircraft and should they be requested for duty that is their first responsibility.

If you are looking for site access at any point throughout the weekend including Friday, please contact Dean.

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This year's exciting line-up includes:

**RCAF CF 18 Demo Team** - The CF-18 Demonstration team represents the aviators of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) who conduct and support operations at home and around the world every day. Every year, a new theme is chosen to highlight important milestones or ideas related to the military, Canada or aviation. This theme is then translated into an impressive paint scheme on the team's CF-18 Demonstration jet and featured throughout the season, raising awareness and building interest amongst audiences in Canada's Air Force.

**USAF A-10 Demo Team** - The A-10 is the United States Air Force's premier close air support aircraft, providing vital protection to troops on the ground. The Air Combat Command A-10C Thunderbolt II Demonstration Team, stationed out of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, brings the aircraft to airshows around the country to showcase the unique combat capabilities of the A-10 "Warthog." They perform precision aerial maneuvers while highlighting the mission and professionalism of the men and women of the United States Air Force.

**The Red Devils** - They have not been in Canada in over 25 years. This is their first time EVER in Alberta...the Red Devils are coming to the Alberta International Airshow! The Red Devils are the official parachute display team of the British Army and The Parachute Regiment. The team is made up of full-time serving paratroopers and are all professional skydivers, some of who have jumped over 4000 times! They perform intricate aerobatics while plummeting towards the ground – only opening their parachutes at the very end!

**USN EA-18G Growler Demo** - The Growler Demo Team performs at airshows across the United States as part of the U.S. Navy Legacy Flight Team, designed to keep Naval Aviation's ties to its proud heritage alive and viable. The Growler is incredible to see in the air and its performance is sure to wow audiences.

**And many more military performances!**

**Civilian performers include:**

**Yellow Thunder** - One of Canadian Airshows most recognizable duos, Edmonton-raised brothers David and Drew Watson also known as Yellow Thunder bring a double thrill to the Edmonton Airshow. With their 2-plane flawless formation and aerobatic maneuvers, captivation is guaranteed.

**Bill Carter** - During his performances, Bill keeps spectators breathless with the opening half-roll on takeoff to his trademark conclusion-an inverted ribbon cut. He flies at 260 km per hour at 14 feet above the ground, shredding a ribbon stretched between two poles 20 metres apart. During his routine, he expertly performs a number of difficult manoeuvres including tailslides, hammerheads, loops, rolls and one of the longest knife-edge passes in the world.

**Mzarek Airshows** - Veteran airshow pilot and performer John Mzarek along with his Harvard Mark IV, "Pussycat II," will dazzle audiences, spectators, or anyone watching with a spectacular aerial ballet. With lots of noise, smoke, and skill, John's aerobatic performance will bring the entire airshow crowd to a standstill. For a beautiful aerobatic and formation display, John is joined by his son Richard, flying a Yakovlev 18T.

**Kyle Fowler** - Looking to his father, Ken Fowler of Team Rocket, as his role model, Kyle moved forward with his dreams of becoming an Aerobatic Pilot by the age of 12, announcing his father's performance at several Airshows. Kyle obtained his Private Pilot's License at the age of 21 and began his journey toward his Airshow career. Kyle successfully manages his aviation time between flying a PA-31 Navajo Chieftain, a 1946 Cessna 120 and his unique 1986 Long EZ.