

## Cocoa Beach Air Show, Saturday, 17 April and Sunday, 18 April 2021, Lori Wilson Park, Cocoa Beach, FL

Greetings Fellow AFTAC Alumni, Active Duty, and Civilian Team Members,

Every year, this local air show has been one of the most spectacular and awesome events to experience, in the Central Florida area. They say last year's show in October at Orlando/Sanford International Airport, hosted well over 100,000 people, in two days. It was hosted by Lockheed Martin then. We have been volunteering to work in these spaces and air shows for 11 years now. This year's show, will be our 12th. Fellow Alumni Frank Calenda has also volunteered for several years. It's always a good time, great camaraderie, and Team Work. My wife and I are Team Leads each year and manage the Flight Line Club VIP Chalet, ...the "Show Center". Frank, and other selected volunteers, work the beverage booth offered by the host provider in the VIP Chalet. Fellow Alumni John Horsch has also worked with Frank in the serving of cold beverages on a very hot Florida day. The USAF Thunderbirds, will once again, be the key aircraft performing this year.

The B-1 Bomber is on tap to also perform along with a B-52 Bomber from the "Cold North". It's one truly awesome aircraft and has provided equally stellar performances in years past! Other aircraft slated to perform are the F-22 Raptor, GEICO Skytypers, Special Ops Command Para Commandos, and the Douglas C-47 Tico Bell, among many more to come, to perform in the lineup each day. "Fly, Fight, and Win -- Air Power"!!

Show dates are Saturday, 17 April and Sunday, 18 April 2021. However, Friday, 16 April, is the proposed official full dress rehearsal and dry run of the show days. All applicable aircraft and teams that are scheduled and attending, will be participating in this dry run. Volunteers are also requested to work that day too if they desire, for the venue setup. Times are 0800 - 1500.

Below is a Save The Date Alert for training for the volunteers, provide a parking pass, and hand out your T-Shirt on:

Thursday, 8 April 2021, 1800 - 1930 -- Hilton Cocoa Beach, 1550 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, FL.

If you'd like to find out more and be a volunteer, please visit the link below. If you have any questions on the show, I'd be happy to answer or acquire you an answer. I can be contacted at my Email: oceanblueview@yahoo.com (<u>Unlisted</u>) or Cell: 321-591-9053) (<u>Unlisted</u>).

## **CCBAS Website Details:**

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**To Volunteer:** https://cocoabeachairshow.com/volunteer/

Hope you can join us for 1 or 2 days!" It is truly, two AWESOME days to volunteer! It's a great event and a good time for all the volunteers each year. A lot of camaraderie, team spirit, and hey...a free air show to boot.

Thank you!

Respectfully,

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