

2017 Pilot Schedule

The Ohio Challenge - Hot Air Balloon & Skydiving Festival

Friday- July 21	Activity	Location
3:00 - 5:30 p.m.	Pilot Registration	Drury Inn & Suites 122/75 (Exit 32), 3320 Village Dr, Middletown, OH
5:30 - 6:15 p.m.	Pilot Master Briefing	Smith Park – Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
6:00 p.m.	Skydive show	
6:15 – 6:35 p.m.	Pilot Weather/Task Briefing	Smith Park – Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
6:45 - 7:00 p.m.	Pilot Sponsor Match Up	Smith Park - Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
7:15 - 8:45 p.m.	Sponsor Hare and Hound Flight	Launch From Hook Field - Launch Field
8:15 p.m.	Skydive show	
8:30 - 10:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception-Pilots & Sponsors	Smith Park - Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent Food available until 10pm
8:30 - 11.00 p.m.	Propane Refill	Smith Park
9:00	Sunset	
9:15 - 9:45 p.m.	Balloon Glow	Smith Park-South side of launch field fence
10:00 p.m.	Pyrotechnic Skydive & Laser Show with Pyrotechnics	Pilots remain in Glow area until cleared by staff
Saturday- July 22	Activity	Location
6:15 - 6:35 a.m.	Pilot Weather/Task Briefing	Smith Park – Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
6:29 a.m.	Sunrise	
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Competitive Flight	Launch From Remote Location
8:50 a.m.	Skydiving Show Opens 5k/10k Race	Smith Park
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Propane Refill Logger return to Drury Operations Cntr.	Smith Park
8:00 –10:30 a.m.	Pancake Breakfast Available Donation Accepted	Smith Park - Pavilion (Near Glow Area)
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Pilot Preflight Picnic Style Meal	Smith Park - Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
4:00, 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.	Skydive show	
6:15 - 6:35 p.m.	Pilot Weather/Task Briefing	Smith Park – Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
7:00 - 8:45 p.m.	Competitive Flight	Launch From Hook Field - Launch Field
6:00 - 10:30 p.m.	Pilot - Snacks & Light Meals Available	Smith Park -Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
8:15 p.m.	Skydive show	
8:30 - 11.00 p.m.	Propane Refill Logger return to Drury Operations Cntr.	Smith Park
8:58 p.m.	Sunset	
9:15 - 9:45 p.m.	Balloon Glow	Smith Park-South side of launch field fence
10:00 p.m.	Pyrotechnic Skydive& Fireworks	
Sunday- July 23	Activity	Location
6:15 - 6:35 a.m.	Pilot Weather/Flight Briefing	Smith Park – Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent
6:29 a.m.	Sunrise	
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Competitive Flight	Launch From Remote Location
7:20 a.m.	Skydiving Show Opens Bicycle Ride	Smith Park
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Propane Refill Logger, marker & banner return to Drury Operations Cntr.	Smith Park
11:30 a.m.	Awards Luncheon	Smith Park - Sponsor/Pilot Reception Tent