

## Nats News #5

Well, it is only 75 days until the Nats! If you have not made preparations and plan to go, I cannot stress enough getting your motel room, etc. The details on the motels are in a previous article. Also I cannot stress enough getting registered.

We have 2 more companies that are sponsoring us. Maxx Products has made a big contribution and we cannot thank them enough. They have top quality products so be sure to go there for your latest. Also, Eagle Tree Systems is worth a look. They have telemetry systems that would certainly be of benefit to you. Thanks to both of them.

All the RV spots are now reserved. If you come in with an RV without reservations you can stay on site for no charge but there will be no hookups for you. These RV spots are right in front of the control tower - great location. However, the flying sites are up to a mile away – the runway is 2 miles long - o be prepared for that.

Here is the daily schedule for the Nats:

### Tuesday

11am- Judging seminar and class

3pm- Pilots meeting

4pm- memorial dedication

5pm-opening ceremony

6pm-BBQ dinner and recreation

### Wednesday

Competition flying-all classes all day

Catfish lunch \$15/person

### Thursday

Competition flying-all day

Tour of locale-4-6 hours

### Friday

Competition flying-all day

FAI semis

Banquet-Holiday inn

### Saturday

Masters Finals-morning

FAI Finals-afternoon

We are going to have a special opening ceremony. We are excited to have a B-52 bomber make a fly by and land. We will also have a C-130 do the same. We will be hosting the crews and they will share dinner with us. This is a big honor and something that is an awesome thrill.

The catfish dinner will be done the Arkansas way and is something you will enjoy.

The tour Thursday is for all those that are not flying that will showcase the very interesting places around Blytheville. I hear it is a great tour.

We have a very nice banquet that is planned for Friday night. The BBQ dinner and the Banquet are included in your entry fee. You will need to pay for your Wednesday catfish lunch.

Saturday is going to be a special Finals day. The public will be invited and we hope to have a great setup for it all.

You each will receive a mailing from me regarding the details of the competition, practice sites and procedures, tickets, flight times, etc.

Great Flying,

Mike