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Present

Flag City Balloon Fest 2003

WOW!!! What a great weekend we had in Findlay, Ohio for the 4th annual Flag City Balloon Fest.

With spectacular weather the balloons flew all four flights and balloon glows were held both Friday and Saturday evenings. If you attended, you saw some great competition and a dazzling display of colors in the sky.

The 2003 Flag City Balloon Fest competition was sanctioned by the [North American Balloon Association](#) (NABA). Pilots competed for over \$5000 in cash and prizes during this three day event. Pilot's scores also count toward their rank in the national standings.

This event, which was free to the public, could only happen through the generous contributions of time and financial resources of community leaders and area businesses.

Special thanks to our major and event sponsors:

- **Great Scot Supermarkets**
- **Rooney, Clinger, Murray Architects**
- **Wide Open MRI**

**We look forward to seeing
you at the next Flag City
Balloon Fest!**

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Balloon Rides & Corp. Advertising

1255 Hunters Ridge
Flag City Balloon Fest
Battle Creek, MI 49015

Hancock County Convention & Visitors Bureau

Phone: 269-969-1328
123 East Main Cross Street
Findlay, Ohio 45840
Phone: 419-422-3315

**Thanks to the many businesses
that supported the 2001 Flag City
Balloon Fest**

Balloon Sponsors:

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Supporting Sponsors:

Hosting a balloon event takes many different contributions from numerous sources. Does your business have anything to contribute or promote?

Let us know how we can team-up with your business to provide mutual benefits in supporting this great event for the Findlay area.

Altitude Endeavors, Inc.
Findlay Fire Department
Findlay Parks & Recreation
Findlay Street Department
Russell Electric Co.

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Domino's Pizza

Events:

Thursday, August 23, 2003

5 pm Media Interviews
6 pm Media Flight

Friday, August 23, 2003

3 pm - dusk Helicopter Rides
4 pm Concessions Open
5 pm Opening Ceremony
6 pm Balloon Flight & Flag Pole Grab
8:30 pm Balloon Glow

Saturday, August 24, 2003

8 am Concessions Open
8 am NABA Competition Flight
9 am - dusk Helicopter Rides
9 am Up, Up & Away 5K Run
11 am - 4 pm Vintage Car Show
12 pm - 6 pm Flying Circuits RC Airplanes
1 - 3 pm Reunion Band
1 - 3 pm Black Swamp Raptor Center
1 - 9 pm United Way Children's Activities
3 - 5 pm Tongue 'N' Groove Band

5 pm Color Guard & Military Veterans
Recognition
6 pm Mass Balloon Launch & NABA comp.
8:30 pm Balloon Glow

Sunday, August 25, 2003

8 am Balloon Competition Flight
9 am - noon Helicopter Rides

**All events and activities
are weather permitting.
Schedule subject to
change.**

Location:

The official location for the Flag City Balloon Fest is Emory Adams Park in Findlay, Ohio.

The balloons either launch from the Park or launch from the surrounding area and attempt to fly over the Park. See the Event Schedule for specific details.

Emory Adams Park is located on the South side of Findlay and can be easily reach from I-75.

Limited parking is available at the park so plan to arrive early. A basic map is shown below.



[Click on map to enlarge.](#)



Photos:

To submit a photo from the 2003 event please email it to: submit@FlagCityBalloonFest.com

Balloons:

1 Maury Sullivan "Pancho" 2002 National Rank - 08
2002 Flag City Champion



2 Donna Fox "Freebie" 2002 National Rank - 48



3 Bob Zanella "Pada" 2002 National Rank - 50



4 John Burns "Painless Too" 2002 National Rank - 89



5 Jeremiah Fox "Inspiration" 2002 National Rank - N/A



6 Rick Cusick "Arrythmia" 2002 National Rank - 13



7 Ted Gauthier "Andy" 2002 National Rank - 38



8 Jerry Stephan "Jedami" 2002 National Rank - 115



9 Wayne Warren "Junior" 2002 National Rank - 24



10 Phil Clinger "The Jester" 2002 National Rank - 35



Competition Results:

Final Results for the 2003 Flag City Balloon Fest

1	..... Phil Clinger	3,601
2	..... Jim Birk	3,467
3	..... Ted Gauthier	3,294
4	..... Rob Mihaley	3,192
5	..... Rick Cusick	3,162
6	..... Bob Zanella	3,112
7	..... Wayne Warren	3,014
8	..... Jerry Stephan	3,013
9	..... Todd Fisher	2,836
10	.... Rick Kohut	2,810
11	.... Dave Schaublin	2,729
12	.... Jody Leatherberry	2,703
13	.... Ted Watts	2,667
14	.... Alex Jonard	2,666
15	.... Chuck Owens	2,655
16	.... Mike Emich	2,547
17	.... Maury Sullivan	2,450
18	.... Dawn Gauthier	2,338
19	.... Ron Terranova	2,299
20	.... Curtis Tyree	2,214
21	.... Debby Young	2,199
22	.... Ron Groce	2,114
23	.... John Burns	2,100
24	.... William Mason	2,052
25	.... Roger Beebe	2,000
26	.... Jeremiah Fox	1,967
27	.... Janet Lutkus	1,867
28	.... Donna Fox	1,733
29	.... Gene Planck	1,617
30	.... Dick Sigler	1,617

Web Links:

Below are links to other web sites that we think might be of interest to you.

Enjoy the experience of a lifetime.
Balloon Ride Information:
Altitude Endeavors

Information about the location of the balloon fest.
Findlay, Ohio:
Flag City USA

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Weather that the pilots use for flight planning.
Aviation Weather Info:



Coverage of all the NABA balloon events.
North American Balloon Association

NABA Sport Ballooning

Links to hundreds of other balloon related web sites.
World Wide Web Balloon Pages

Want to learn about the details of a hot air balloon?
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