Ashland Ohio Balloon Festival goes on 26 years

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The Ashland Balloon fest is going on 26 years of bringing high flying fun to the Mid Ohio area. The festival runs June 30th through July 3rd at Freer Field in Ashland, Ohio.



Come take a ride on the wild side and fly high in the beautiful skies of Ashland in this family fun filled event. Following is the schedule of events for the festival:



Thursday June 30, 2016

- **4-6pm Live Radio Remote *West***
  104.5 WQKT, your source for the best news, sports and country music.
- **4-8pm Hawkins Fresh Foods BBQ *West***
  Featuring Charcoal Mafia BBQ along with Hawkins freshly made and delicious sides & desserts.

- **4-9:30pm Henley Graphics Kids Fun Zone** ***East & North Central***
  Pony rides, laser tag, inflatables, airbrushing and more!
- **5-8pm Merchant Area** ***North***
  Featuring home improvement solutions, to educational options, to personal indulgence & much more.
- **5-10pm Ashland Elk's Lodge #1360 Beer** ***Garden East***
  21 and over, ID required.
- **5:30-7:30pm News Journal Media Live Entertainment** ***Main Stage***
  Kokosing River Surf Club (www.krscband.com) – Classic Rock & Blues
- **6:00 PM Opening Ceremonies** ***Main Stage***
  Ashland Veteran's Color Guard
- **6-10pm Food Concessions** ***Field Perimeter***
  Many to choose from.
- **7:00 PM Media Flight** ***Launch Field***
  Enjoy the cold inflation process as pilots and crew prepare hot air balloons to take area media for the ride of their lives.
- **8:00 PM Balloon Glow Encounter** ***Launch Field***
  Tickets can be purchased at www.ashlandohioballoonfest.com
- **9:30 PM Ashland Times Gazette Balloon Glow** ***Launch Field***
  Enjoy an interactive display as hot air balloons line the launch field and glow against the night sky choreographed to music.

Friday July 1, 2016

- **7-8am Fun Flight** ***Launch Field***
  Bring your chairs, coffee and blankets to watch hot air balloons fly-over Freer Field.
- **4-9:30pm News Journal Media Kids Fun Zone** ***East & North Central***
  Pony rides, laser tag, inflatables, airbrushing and and more!
- **3-9:30pm Food Concessions** ***Field Perimeter***
  Many to choose from.
- **5-9pm WMFD TV Live Entertainment** ***Main Stage***
  Midlyfe Crysis – www.midlyfecrisis.com 60's & 70's Style Rock 'n Roll.
- **5-8pm Jungle Bob West**
  Exotic animal show every 30 minutes.
- **5-8pm Merchant Area** ***North***
  Featuring home improvement solutions, to educational options, to personal indulgence & much more.
- **5-10pm Ashland Elk's Lodge #1360**
  Beer Garden East 21 and over, ID required.
- **6-8pm Live Radio Remote** ***West***

93.7 FM the Super Q Listener Party. Enter to won prizes, and meet your favorite Super Q personalities

- **7:00 PM Sponsor Flight** ***Launch Field***
  Enjoy the cold inflation process as pilots and crew prepare hot air balloons to take sponsor representatives for the ride of their lives.
- **8:00 PM Balloon Glow Encounter** ***Launch Field***
  Tickets can be purchased at www.ashlandohioballoonfest.com
- **9:30 PM Ashland Times Gazette Balloon Glow** ***Launch Field***
  Enjoy an interactive display as hot air balloons line the launch field and glow against the night sky choreographed to music.

Saturday July 2, 2016

- **7-8am Donley Ford Lincoln of Ashland Balloon Competition** ***Launch Field***
  Bring your chairs, coffee and blankets to watch hot air balloons compete for cash prizes.
- **9am Ashland Balloonfest 5K** ***Ashland Community Stadium***
  Details and registrations at AshlandRunners.com
- **11:00 AM News Journal Media Cornhole Registration & Warm-up** ***Central***
  $20 per team.
- **12:00 PM News Journal Media Cornhole Tournament** ***Central***
  Double Elimination. Everyone guaranteed to play at least 3 games. 70% payout.
- **12-10pm Food Concessions** ***Field Perimeter***
  Many to choose from.
- **1-8pm Merchant Area** ***North***
  Featuring home improvement solutions, to educational options, to personal indulgence and much more.
- **1-9:30pm News Journal Media Kids Fun Zone** ***East & North Central***
  Pony rides, laser tag, inflatables, airbrushing and the and more!
- **2-10pm Ashland Elk's Lodge #1360 Beer Garden** ***East***
  21 and over, ID required.
- **2-5pm COSI on Wheels** ***West***
  Play, explore and learn as COSI comes with hands on "Science Spots".
- **2:30-3:30pm Donley Ford Lincoln of Ashland pilot Meet & Greet** ***Park Street***
  Bring your programs and meet hot air balloon pilots: if you capture all their autographs you will receive a free T-shirt courtesy of Donley Ford Lincoln of Ashland.
- **3:30-4:30pm Safety Fun** ***West & Launch Field***
  Metro Life Flight, K-9 Demonstrations, and Ashland Fire Department Truck Display.
- **5-9pm 93.7 the Super Q Live Entertainment** ***Main Stage***
  KRUSH (www.kruchrocks.com) – High Energy Classic Rock and Roll
- **7:00 PM Donley Ford Lincoln of Ashland Balloon Competition** ***Launch Field***
  Enjoy the cold inflation process as pilots and crew prepare hot air balloons for lift off, competing for cash prizes.
- **8:00 PM Balloon Glow Encounter** ***Launch Field***
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- **9:30 PM Ashland Times Gazette Balloon Glow** ***Launch Field***

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Sunday July 3, 2016

- **7-8am Donley Ford Lincoln of Ashland Competition Flight** ***at Launch Field***
  Bring your chairs, coffee and blankets to watch balloons compete for cash prizes.

For more information visit their website here.
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