

Airshow offers seating options

Tickets available from \$11 for kids to \$5,000 for private chalet



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Crowd members watch action in the sky during the California International Airshow Salinas on Oct. 2, 2005.

grandstand tickets offer reserved seating off the show's flight line.

For \$260 a day, private flight-line boxes provide 10 reserved seats.

However, individual box seats are available for \$33 per person.

Flight Deck Club seats offer special seating — the closest to the flight line — with a barbecue and a no-host bar. Tickets run \$60 for adults and \$37 for children between the

ages of 6 and 12.

Those with some real dough to burn can get tents for up to 75 guests. They cost \$2,500 a day for Airshow sponsors and \$5,000 a day for non-sponsoring groups.

Wardwell suggested families seek reserved seating.

"The Airshow is an all-day event and it's nice to be able to leave your seat, walk around, and come back to the same seat later," he said.

AT A GLANCE

Ticket prices listed are in advance. For day of show tickets, add \$2 for general admission, \$5 for grandstands, box seats and Flight Deck Club.

■ GENERAL ADMISSION

Does not provide seating.

\$15 for adults, \$11 for ages 6-12 and free for younger than age 6.

■ GRANDSTANDS

Just off flight line and close to show center

\$22 for adults, \$19 for ages 2-12 and free for younger than age 2 (on parent's lap).

■ BOX SEATS

Private seating on flight line and easy access to seats.

\$28 for adults, free for younger than age 6 (on parent's lap).

■ PRIVATE FLIGHTLINE BOXES

Includes admission and 10 tickets.

\$260 one day, \$475 both days.

■ FLIGHT DECK CLUB

Special seating including food and no-host bar.

\$55 for adults, \$32 for ages 6-12 and free for younger than age 6 (no meal served). Group rate is 25 percent off for 20 or more tickets.

■ FLIGHT LINE CHALETs

Includes 75 passes and 10 parking passes per day.

Available for prices ranging from \$5,000 to \$8,000 depending on number of days. President's Club members and sponsors receive a 50 percent discount.



Staff report

With most of the California International Airshow action taking place in the sky, it's hard to find a bad seat.

But some are better than others.

The Airshow offers a wide range of seating options, from \$11 for a child's general admission ticket to \$5,000 for a private strip-side chalet.

"There are a lot of different ways to enjoy the Airshow," said Harry Wardwell, executive director.

The starting price is general admission, which provides access to the grounds, display planes, vendors and some viewing areas, but does not provide seating. At the gate, these tickets cost \$17 for adults (\$15 in advance) and \$13 for children ages 6-12 (\$11 in advance). For \$24 to \$27 at the gate,