PRESCOTT ERNEST A. LOVE FIELD

Air Shows

From the very beginning, Prescott has hosted air shows and other aviation events at Ernest A. Love Field. The following is a chronological list of known air shows, open houses, air fairs and fly-ins. There are obvious gaps. For instance, no reference to an air show could be located for the entire decade of the 1960s. Some of the gaps may be attributed to the challenges in accessing and searching old editions of the Prescott newspapers. This is a work in progress. Additions and corrections (with references) are welcome.

1926	Jul 4	First Dedication – “Prescott Airport”	AIR SHOW
1928	Aug 26	Second Dedication – “Ernest A. Love Municipal Airport”	AIR SHOW
1929	May 19	"aero circus"	AIR SHOW
1929	Jun 9	"air circus"	AIR SHOW
1929	Jul 4-7	daily air shows at Love Field in conjunction with Frontier Days	AIR SHOW
1931	Aug 9	American Legion air show (Vaughan, Mayse, Myers)	AIR SHOW
1934	Aug 4 & 5	“air meet”; air show on the 5th	AIR SHOW
1934	Sep 2	air show [announced; no follow-up available]	AIR SHOW
1935	May 30	Yavapai County Chamber of Commerce "aerial carnival"	AIR SHOW
1936	May 31	Yavapai County Chamber of Commerce Air Show (Tony LeVier)	AIR SHOW
1937	Sep 5	Yavapai County Chamber of Commerce Air Show	AIR SHOW
1938	Sep 4	Yavapai County Chamber of Commerce Air Show ("4th annual")	AIR SHOW
1943	Oct 27	Navy Day (War Training Service open house at Love Field)	
1947	Jul 27	Arizona Nat’l. Guard recruiting drive and flight demonstration (11 Mustangs and 2 A-26's)	
1948	Jun 20	Arizona Nat'l. Guard air show (encampment; "Osborn Air Base")	AIR SHOW
1954	Nov 14	American Legion Veterans Day Air Fair	AIR SHOW
1959	Dec 5 & 6	Kiwanis Air Fair (military displays and skydiving demos.)	
1971	Jun 6	Open House (culmination of Prescott Airport Week)	
1974	Oct 27 (?)	Open House	
1976	Sep 18	Open House (A-7 flybys, F7F slurry drop)	
1980	Jun ?	Northern Arizona Air Festival [unverified]	
1988	Oct 8 & 9	Airfest Arizona ‘88 (air show sponsored by ERAU)	AIR SHOW
1989	Oct 7 & 8	Airfest Arizona '89 (air show sponsored by ERAU)	AIR SHOW
1990	Oct 5-7	19th Annual EAA Copperstate Fly-In	
1991	Jun 2	Open House	

1991	Oct 4-6	20th Annual EAA Copperstate Fly-In	
1992	Oct 2-4	21st Annual EAA Copperstate Fly-In	
1993	Jun 12	Open House	
1994	Jun 23-25	Ercoupe fly-in (Ercoupe Owners Club and ERAU; 57+ Ercoupes)	
1997	?	Air Fair	
1998	Aug 29	Open House	
1999	Oct 16	Arizona Air Fair – open house	
2000	Oct 7	Prescott Air Fair 2000 – open house (City of Prescott and EAA Chapter 658)	
2002	Oct 19	Prescott Air Fair 2002 – open house (Prescott Air Fair Association)	
2003	Oct 4	Prescott Air Fair 2003 – open house (100 years of flight) (Prescott Air Fair Association)	
2004	Oct 2	Prescott Air Fair 2004 – air show (“first air show in 15 years”) (Prescott Air Fair Association)	AIR SHOW
2005	Oct 15	Prescott Air Fair 2005 (aka Arizona Skyfest 2005) ("Defenders of the Skies" air show; Prescott Air Fair Association)	AIR SHOW
2006	Sep 30	Arizona Skyfest 2006 – "Defenders of the Skies" air show (Prescott Air Fair Association)	AIR SHOW
2007	Oct 6	Arizona Skyfest 2007 – air show (Prescott Air Fair Association) [the Air Fair Association was dissolved following this event]	AIR SHOW
2008		CANCELED (no air show or open house)	
2009	Apr 18	EAA Wings and Wheels Fly-In and Car Show (and Legend Aviation FBO grand opening) [event limited to the grounds of Legend Aviation, now Cutter Aviation]	
2013	Oct 5	ERAU "OctoberWest" homecoming and "Wings Out West' ("private air show")	AIR SHOW (p)
2014	May 17-18	Commemorative Air Force (CAF) display and rides (B-29, C-47 and P-51)	
2015	Oct 3	ERAU "OctoberWest" homecoming and "Wings Out West" ("private air show")	AIR SHOW (p)
2016	Oct 1	AOPA Regional Fly-In and ERAU "OctoberWest" homecoming (with "Wings Out West private air demonstration event")	AIR SHOW (p)
2017	Oct 7	ERAU and City of Prescott "Wings Out West"	AIR SHOW
2018	Oct 6	ERAU and City of Prescott "Wings Out West"	AIR SHOW
2019	Oct 5	ERAU and City of Prescott "Wings Out West"	AIR SHOW
2025	Oct 4	ERAU and City of Prescott "Centennial AirFest 2025" (open house)	
2026	Oct 24	ERAU and City of Prescott "Centennial AirFest 2026" (open house)	