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## 2012 SOUTHWEST FLORIDA AEROBATIC CHALLENGE

**DATES:** MARCH 10 – 11, 2012

**HOSTING CLUB:** CHARLOTTE SPORT MODELERS SOCIETY, PUNTA GORDA, FL  
[WWW.CSMS-RC.ORG](http://WWW.CSMS-RC.ORG)

**FIELD LOCATION:** 9131 COUNTY ROAD 769, ARCADIA, FL 34269  
THE FIELD IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 5.5 MILES NE FROM EXIT 170  
OFF OF I-75 ON KINGS HIGHWAY (COUNTY ROAD 769)  
SITUATED ON SWFWMD PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE  
RV GRIFFIN RESERVE – FOLLOW THE SIGNS FROM THE ENTRANCE.

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**PILOTS MEETING:** THERE WILL BE A PILOT'S MEETING BOTH DAYS AT 8:00 AM WITH WHEELS UP AT 8:30 AM. THE GATE TO THE FIELD WILL BE OPEN AT 6:30 AM FRI – SUN.

**CLASSES:** BASIC, SPORTSMAN, INTERMEDIATE, ADVANCED, UNLIMITED  
TROPHIES WILL BE PRESENT FOR THE TOP THREE FINISHERS IN EACH CLASS  
PLUS FIRST PLACE IN SENIORS AND FREE STYLE

**ENTRY FEE:** IMAC MEMBERS \$35 AND NON-IMAC MEMBERS \$45  
ENTRY FEE INCLUDES ONE LUNCH TICKET  
YOU MUST PRESENT YOUR 2012 AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD TO COMPETE

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** GO TO THE IMAC WEBSITE [WWW.MINI-IAC.ORG](http://WWW.MINI-IAC.ORG)  
CLICK ON "REGIONS" – "SOUTHEAST" – "SE NEWS AND EVENTS"

**SCHEDULE:** SATURDAY – THREE ROUNDS OF KNOWNNS FOR ALL CLASSES  
SUNDAY – ONE SEQUENCE OF UNKNOWNNS FOR ALL CLASSES EXCEPT BASIC WHO WILL FLY A SINGLE SEQUENCE OF KNOWNNS. ANY CLASSES WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED 3 ROUNDS ON SATURDAY, WILL COMPLETE THEIR THIRD ROUND OF KNOWNNS ON SUNDAY AFTER THE UNKNOWNNS ARE FLOWN. FREE STYLE COMPETITION WILL COMPLETE THE EVENT

**PRACTICE DAY:** THE FIELD WILL BE OPEN ON FRIDAY, MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup> FOR PRACTICE – 6:30 AM UNTIL SUNSET

**FOOD:** HOT BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS ARE PLANNED FOR BOTH DAYS. A LIMITED LUNCH MENU WILL BE AVAILABLE ON FRIDAY DURING PRACTICE.

**HOTELS:** THIS EVENT IS HELD IN THE MIDDLE OF SPRING BREAK - HOTELS RATES ARE INFLATED DURING THIS PERIOD AND ROOMS SELL OUT FAST, BUT THERE ARE SOME DEALS TO BE HAD. HERE ARE THE THREE BEST CHOICES AND BEST RATES IN THE AREA. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BOOK EARLY.

**WYVERN HOTEL**

101 EAST RETTA ESPLANADE  
Punta Gorda, FL 33950  
(941) 639-7700

LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN PUNTA GORDA ON THE WATERFRONT WITH A VERY SPECIAL YEAR ROUND RATE OF \$89 PER NIGHT FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL BOUTIQUE HOTEL – IT’S WELL WORTH THE EXTRA DRIVE TIME. YOU MUST CALL THE HOTEL AND GIVE THEM A SPECIAL RATE CODE: “PGD” WHICH IS A SPECIAL RATE WORKED OUT BY THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY FOR FULL- SCALE PILOTS AND THEIR GUESTS FLYING INTO THE PUNTA GORDA AIRPORT. YOU ARE PILOTS – RIGHT?

**LA QUNITA INN & SUITES – CURRENTLY \$90 PER NIGHT**

812 KINGS HWY  
PORT CHARLOTTE, FL 33980  
941-979-4200

THE LA QUNITA IS LOCATED ON THE WESTSIDE OF I-75 AT EXIT 170 / Kings Highway, behind the Cracker Barrel. This is the closest hotel to the field.

**AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN & SUITES – CURRENTLY \$99 PER NIGHT**

9035 MAC DRIVE  
PUNTA GORDA, FL 33950  
941-637-7200

AMERICA’S BEST IS LOCATED AT EXIT 161 OFF I-75 (JONES LOOP ROAD).

*RV Camping: Overnight camping is not permit at the flying club site due to SWFWMD regulations. RV and tent camping is available free at the Deep Creek Park on Peace River Road just before you get to the Nav-a-Gator Grill – see the address below (3.5 miles from the field). There are clean restrooms with flush toilets and a covered pavilion with picnic tables, but no hookups available. The club will be providing shuttle service from the park to the field both Saturday and Sunday if you want to park your RV for the weekend. Let Jim or Dave know if you are planning on bringing your RV.*

*Security: A Charlotte County Sheriff Deputy will be staying on-site at the field both nights in a Sheriff Department's RV. You may leave your trailers on site both nights.*

*Entertainment: There will be an informal gathering for pilots, club members, and guests at the Nav-a-Gator Bar and Grill, a popular restaurant and bar located a short distance from the field on the way back to the I-75. Good food and beverage is available for purchase. Weather permitting, we will be gathering at their outside tiki hut bar along the river front. They usually have live entertainment on Saturday nights. We'll be heading that way about 6:30 pm Saturday night. This is a popular hang-out for bush pilots and other savory characters – we will fit right in.*

*Nav-a-Gator Grill  
9700 Southwest Riverview Circle  
Arcadia, FL 34269  
<http://nav-gator.com/>*