

# WARBIRDS APPEARING AT THE 5 OCTOBER 2019 PRESCOTT ARIZONA WINGS OUT WEST AIRSHOW



“D-Day Doll” is a Douglas C-53, which entered service into the United States Army Air Force in 1942 as a "Skytrooper" or parachute version of the famed DC-3. "Doll" was assigned to the 88th Troop Carrier Squadron, 438th Troop Carrier Group from 1942 to 1945. "Doll" dropped American Paratroopers into France on D-Day and flew the channel again to drop paratroopers at the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day June 2019. "Doll" will be dropping WWII style paratroopers on 5 October 2019 at the WOW airshow on 5 October and will be on static display at the Prescott airport and giving rides from 3 October – 6 October. **Rides on "Doll" may be purchased** by contacting the Empire Wing of the Commemorative Air Force at [https://commemorativeairforceinlandempirewing-qiufu.formstack.com/forms/d\\_day\\_tour\\_rides](https://commemorativeairforceinlandempirewing-qiufu.formstack.com/forms/d_day_tour_rides).



The B-17G “Sentimental Journey” was built in November 1944 and is one of eight B-17Gs around the world still flying today. B-17s were designed to fly unescorted daylight precision bombing missions over Europe, dropping over 640,000 tons of bombs during WWII. “Sentimental Journey” has four powerful Wright radial engines and a wingspan of 103 ft 9 in. “Sentimental Journey’s” crew of 10 could fly at a maximum air speed of 263 knots (302 mph). “Sentimental Journey” will be on static display at the Prescott airport 30 September – 6 October. **Rides on “Sentimental Journey” may be purchased** by contacting the Airbase Arizona Wing of the Commemorative Air Force at <https://www.azcaf.org/plane/b17g-flying-fortress/>.



“Maid in the Shade” is a B-25J Mitchell, the same type of aircraft flown by the Doolittle Raiders over Tokyo in 1942. These medium bombers were heavily armed and utilized for high and low-level bombing. “Maid in the Shade” was built in 1940 and served her wartime duty with the 319<sup>th</sup> Bomb group, 437<sup>th</sup> Squadron at Serragia Airbase, Corsica, flying 18 combat missions over Italy and Yugoslavia in Nov – Dec 1944. Her two powerful Wright radial engines carried her crew of 6 at a maximum speed of 239 knots (275mph). “Sentimental Journey” will be on static display at the Prescott airport 3 – 6 October. **Rides on “Maid in the Shade” may be purchased** by contacting the Airbase Arizona Wing of the Commemorative Air Force <https://www.azcaf.org/plane/b-25j-mitchell/>.



“Old Number 30” is a C-47, the work horse transport aircraft of the WWII Army Air Force. “Old Number 30” served with the 11<sup>th</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron, flying highly classified missions transporting spies and supplies and recuing wounded and refugees. “Old Number 30” was built in 1941, has a wing span of 95ft 6 in and two Pratt & Whitney radial engines. “Old Number 30” flew with a crew of 3 and could carry 28 troops at a speed of 196 knots (225mph). “Old Number 30” will be on static display at the Prescott airport 3 – 6 October. **Rides on “Old Number 30” may be purchased** by contacting the Airbase Arizona Wing of the Commemorative Air Force <https://www.azcaf.org/plane/c-47-skytrain/>



The 1945 TBM Avenger, an 18000 lb 1900 HP torpedo bomber, was the largest single engine aircraft built for WWII. Being an aircraft carrier aircraft, it flew off (and landed on) runways as short as 500 ft – without a catapult! The nearly 10000 TBMs that were built were credited with turning the tide of the war in the South Pacific. Fewer than 20 of these aircraft are flying today. The TBM will be on static display at the Prescott airport 5 – 6 October. **Rides on the TBM may be purchased** by contacting the Rocky Mountain Wing of the Commemorative Air Force at <https://www.rockymountainwingcaf.org/store/p7/TBMAvengerRide.html>.



The Bell AH-1F Cobra #67-15589 is a two-bladed single engine attack helicopter which accumulated over 1900 combat hours while serving in Vietnam from 68-72. Her 1290 shaft HP Lycoming T53-L-703 engine carries a two-person crew at a maximum speed of 190 knots with a range of 315 miles. Armament included a 20mm cannon, 7.62mm “mini-gun”, 40 mm grenade launcher & 2.75 in. folding fin aerial rockets. The Cobra will be on static display at the Prescott airport 4 – 6 October. **Rides on the Cobra may be purchased** on site or by advance reservation by calling (480) 217-1635.



The North American Aviation T-6 Texan was first put into service in 1935. The T-6 is powered by a Pratt & Whitney R-1340 Wasp 600 horsepower radial engine. The T-6 was used as an advanced trainer for USAAF, USN and RAF WWII pilots. Approximately 16,000 T-6s were built and operated around the world. The T-6 “Checkers” will be on static display at the Prescott airport 4 –6 October. “Checkers” is owned and operated by Dean Rosenlof of Van Horn Aviation, LLC of Tempe Arizona which specializes in the design, certification and manufacturing of aftermarket dynamic components for various rotorcraft. VHA also produces aftermarket composite rotor blades for 206B/L/OH-58D and UH-1. For more information, visit [www.vanhornaviation.com](http://www.vanhornaviation.com)

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