

MT. VERNON AIRVENTURE CUP



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A trio of planes return to fly over the Mt. Vernon Outland Airport Sunday morning during the 2015 AirVenture Cup. More than 60 planes participated in this biannual competition, which ended its race in Wausau, Wis. The aircraft include FROM LEFT: a Swearingen SX300 (N5SX) flown by David Baldwin of Port Orange, Fla.; a Pitts S-1 (N42SX) operated by Plane Fun Inc. of Snellville, Ga.; and a Swearingen SX300 (N6L) flown by James Cianci Jr. of Port Orange, Fla.



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With a trail of smoke behind it, this 1964 Beechcraft Bonanza flown by Bob Bennett leaves the runway Sunday morning. Bennett is a pilot of more than 50 years and has appeared in two straight AirVenture Cup races, both of which had scheduled starts in Mt. Vernon.



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Pilot Alan Carroll is airborne in his Vans RV-8, registration number N12AC, Sunday morning after taking off from Mt. Vernon Outland Airport. Carroll hails from McFarland, Wis. The aircraft is listed as an amateur built experimental model from Vans Aircraft Inc.



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The Blue Thunder II, flown by John Parker, readies for the runway Sunday morning at Mt. Vernon Outland Airport. The AirVenture Cup capped off an exciting aviation-filled activity weekend for the local airport.

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