



2019 Schedule of Events

Friday, July 26, 2019

- 6:30am Great Texas Balloon Race Competition Flight over Longview
- 4:00pm Gates Open at East Texas Regional Airport for Great Texas Balloon Race Festival
- 6:30pm ***Dustin Hodges in Concert***
- 8:15pm Special Shapes Spectacular
- 8:45pm Great Texas Balloon Race Opening Ceremony
- 8:50pm Balloon Glow
- 9:30pm ***Gene Watson in Concert***
- Midnight Gates Close for the Day

Saturday, July 27, 2019

- 5:45am Gates Open at East Texas Regional Airport
- 6:30am Great Texas Balloon Race Competition Flight over East Texas Regional Airport
Ducks on the Pond Competition and other Navigational Tasks
(Balloons will be launched from at least 2 miles away and will fly over the event grounds at ET Regional Airport. Launch sites and time will vary depending on weather and wind direction.)
- 11:00am GTBR Festival Closes for Midday
- 4:00pm GTBR Festival Re-Opens for Evening Entertainment
- 6:30pm ***Cody Wayne in Concert***
- 8:15pm Special Shapes Spectacular
- 8:45pm Great Texas Balloon Race Opening Ceremony
- 8:50pm Balloon Glow
- 9:30pm ***Koe Wetzel in Concert***
- Midnight Gates Close for the Day

Sunday, July 28, 2019

- 5:45am Gates Open at East Texas Regional Airport
- 6:30am Great Texas Balloon Race Competition Flight over East Texas Regional Airport
Ducks on the Pond Competition and other Navigational Tasks
(Balloons will be launched from at least 2 miles away and will fly over the event grounds at ET Regional Airport. Launch sites and time will vary depending on weather and wind direction.)

All times are approximate and schedule may change without notice. All events at the Great Texas Balloon Race are dependent on prevailing weather conditions. The safety of our pilots, volunteers and spectators is our primary concern. **Competitive flight for Friday will not be seen at the East Texas Regional Airport** but will take place over the City of Longview and parts of Gregg and Harrison Counties. Each morning flight launch sites and targets will be determined based on prevailing winds.