

Squadrons, Wing Staff Support May Fly Air Show

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FLORENCE, S.C. - As the fog lifted on what would be a beautiful Saturday in the Pee Dee, CAP cadets and seniors put the finishing touches on a fantastic recruiting and public relations display right out on Taxiway D at Florence Regional Airport. In the midst of WWII era fighters, biplanes, helicopter rides, a DC-3 and yes, even some cars and boats on display there stood proudly three CAP aircraft for the masses to tour. Even more proudly stood cadets and senior members from the Florence Composite Squadron, Sumter Composite Squadron, Murrell's Inlet Composite Squadron and even a few wing staffers ready to offer tours of the aircraft and information on CAP.

Thanks to the hard work (and expert knowledge) of SC Wing's cadets three 12-man tents were erected in record time, one of which was used to house a live display of the ARCHER hyperspectral imaging system. Florence member Lt Col David Caraway and commander 1st Lt David Tilley took the opportunity presented to show off not only the Gippsland GA-8 aircraft, but also the ARCHER ground station as well. Both were major "targets of interest" for the visitors interested in CAP.

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Flight Instructor Capt. John Smith and Pilot Officer James Smith in the cockpit of the aircraft.



Abroad Pilot Captain John Di Fiore and Co-Pilot James Smith explain the structure of the aircraft to a group of people.

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