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**Just looking**  
 More than 115,000 people came to Vandenberg's Aerospace Show 2000 Saturday and Sunday.



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# Aerospace Show 2000

## Show 'em what we got

### Loop-to-loop

(Left) Aerobatic pilots took their planes to the limit during Aerospace Show 2000. Thousands attended to see the daredevils fly. (Below, right) Aircrew members from the 312th Airlift Squadron at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., prepare their C-5 Galaxy cargo plane for Aerospace Show 2000.



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### Roar of freedom

The thunder of jets filled the sky above Vandenberg when the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds performed their high-flying precision aerobatics Saturday.



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### Pushed to perform

(Above) Thunderbird maintainers push a jet to the side of the flightline to prepare it for the practice show Friday. (Right) Master Sgt. Joe Kubistek, public affairs for the Thunderbirds, waits for takeoff during the practice show Friday.



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### Make A Wish

(Above) Jonathon Gusman's dream came true when Thunderbird pilots Maj. Dean Wright and Maj. Jon Greene signed autographs for the 18-year-old from Santa Maria. The Thunderbirds performed a show Oct. 13 for children and adults with special needs like Gusman, who suffers from a kidney disease. Thanks to the Thunderbird's and Santa Maria Make A Wish Foundation, Gusman was all smiles during Friday's show. (Left) Members of the Special Tactics and Recovery Specialists, or STARS, parachute into Aerospace Show 2000.