

# Airport plans Navy trainer meet-and-greet

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BULLHEAD CITY — Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport will welcome back the United States Navy Training Wing 4 to conduct flight training operations in mid-January.

The U.S. Navy will be hosting a meet and greet at Landmark Aviation from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday. This is an opportunity for the public to welcome Navy personnel to the community, view the Beechcraft T-6B Texan II military trainer aircraft, and ask questions of the pilots and support crew.

Training Wing 4 was established in March 1972 and is composed of four squadrons. Training squadrons Two-Seven and Two-Eight instruct student naval aviators in basic flight training. Training squadrons Three-One and Three-Five instruct student aviators from the Navy, Marine Corps and the Coast Guard in intermediate and advanced flight training. Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport will host squadrons Two-Seven and Two-Eight from January to March.

The Beechcraft T-6 aircraft used for training new aviators was originally constructed in the year 2000. The T-6B Texan II is an upgraded version of the T-6A with a digital glass cockpit that includes a heads-up display, six multi-function displays and hands-on-throttle-and-stick.

“This advanced aircraft serves as a high performance trainer for future military pilots,” said Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport Director Jeremy Keating. “This is a rare chance for the public to see the aircraft up close, and ask questions directly to the U.S. Navy personnel about their aircraft and future operations at the airport.”

For more information, call the Mohave County Airport Authority at 928-754-2134.