The 2017 Guizhou Anshun Aviclub General Aviation Flight Carnival is scheduled to open on Friday and will last through the weekend. Renowned team pilots will perform aerial stunts at the airshow in Anshun, Guizhou province in Southwest China, organizers said at a news conference in Beijing in early July. Among the performers are the famous Wasp team, which is renowned for its stunts of walking on airfoils, a night flight show and aerobatics. Between the weekends of May and June, more than 500 pilots from 30 cities in China, who made their China debut in Anshun, have formed six Wasp teams to Fly team from New Zealand, three members of which have flown from New Zealand.

Also on the agenda are aviation-related events, including an exhibition, related tourism and trade promotions. “The event will help to boost the aircraft and general aviation industry and facilitate the military-industrial civil integration,” said Zeng Yongtao, party chief of Anshun.

Chen Xinhua, mayor of the city, Anshun has been serving as a key national aviation industry hub and a tropical base of the national defense industry since the 1960s. Its missionaries in traditional military aircraft can be transformed into strength in developing the general aviation industry, local policymakers say.

The city boasts well-established industrial facilities and a wealth of aviation businesses over a 20-year development period, ranging from aircraft, aviation parts and components research and development to production, tests, operation and maintenance, Chen said.

Anshun is home to more than 60 research institutes, manufacturers and service providers in the industry, including Guizhou Aviation Industry Group, an export-oriented aircraft manufacturer.

As a general aviation innova-
tional promotional event in early March, 29 deals worth $5.16 billion were signed with Anshun, covering advanced machinery manufacturing, aircraft component, production and development of an industrial park. “Advancing military-civil industrial integration is key to upgrading Anshun’s industries and accelerating its development,” Zeng said.

The city’s goal is to foster an industrial cluster of leading-edge machine and equipment manufacturers with a focus on the aviation sector, with its military-civil integrated industries estimated to generate more than 25 percent of the city’s total industrial output, the National Development and Reform Commission said in 2016. The NDRC also included Anshun among the 30 national comprehensive demonstration areas for general aviation set year.

“We have an advantageous geographical location and a widespread transportation network, as well as natural beauty,” Zeng said.

In addition to expressways and highways running through the city, Anshun has scheduled flight services via more than 10 routes to major cities including Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing and Shenzhen. Its waterways provide easy access to the Pel River and ocean routes. Also, the high-speed railway linking Changsha, an economic and financial hub, and Kunming, capital of Yunnan province in Southwest China, passes through the city.

Home to 41 ethnic groups which account for approximately 30 percent of the city’s total population, Anshun is famed as a popular tourist resort. Its attractions include the Huangguoshu Waterfall, the province’s top attraction and art, and Songpan Palaces, which features horse carvings, underground waterfalls and natural karst scenery. Anshun ranked No. 2 in all of the top attractions of the city. Anshun ranked No. 2 in all of the top attractions of the city. Anshun ranked No. 2 in all of the top attractions of the city.

Located on the Baishui river in Anshun, it is 778 meters high and 101 meters wide. Tourists can watch the waterfall from different angles at an altitude of 220 meters, according to China’s travel portal Ctrip.

The scenic sites in Anshun, Guizhou province, have been granted 5A attraction status.