

Slayton Airfest Called Off Again

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For the second time in three years, organizers of the Deke Slayton Airfest have decided to take a summer off.

The aviation festival was planned for this May at the La Crosse Airport, but Airfest spokesman Ron Schmal says their plans have to take a back seat to runway construction.

The weekend chosen for the Airfest this year was the only weekend that the Blue Angels squad was available to come to La Crosse in 2011. The Airfest also was called off in 2009, partly because a precision flying team could not be booked for the festival.