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**REDBIRD FLIGHT AND EAA WARBIRDS OF AMERICA UNVEIL CORSAIR SIMULATOR*****The custom Redbird simulator honors naval hero, Capt. Tom Hudner at the Warbirds Youth Education Center***

Oshkosh, WI (July 22, 2018) – At EAA AirVenture 2018, Redbird has unveiled its latest custom MX2 simulator. In partnership with EAA Warbirds of America, the company introduced a Vought F4U Corsair simulator representing the aircraft flown by heroic Naval aviator, Captain Thomas J. Hudner. The one-of-a-kind Corsair simulator provides a full-motion flying experience to AirVenture attendees in Warbird Alley.

The design of the simulator mimics the F4U Corsair flown by Captain Hudner at the battle of the Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War. In December 1950, Captain Hudner—who held the rank of Lieutenant (Junior Grade) at the time—intentionally crash-landed his Corsair to aid his downed wingman, Ensign Jesse Leroy Brown. Deep behind enemy lines in the snow-covered mountains of North Korea, Captain Hudner braved subzero temperatures and the threat of capture by Chinese troops as he attempted to free Ensign Brown from the wreckage of his aircraft. For his actions, Captain Hudner was awarded the Medal of Honor in 1951.

“We’re honored to contribute to the experience and preservation of this remarkable story,” said Redbird Flight Simulations President, Charlie Gregoire. “Our hope is that this simulator will help to foster a passion for aviation among the next generation of pilots.”

“We’re very excited about the second year of our Youth Simulator Program,” added Harold Cannon, Warbird Director at EAA Warbirds of America. “The program fulfills the dual mission of creating youth interest in aviation and teaching the history of the greatest generation.”

The Corsair simulator is the sixth custom device that Redbird has built for AirVenture, and the third modeled after a classic Warbird. In 2016, Redbird honored the past with a P-40 Warhawk for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. For the launch of the EAA Warbirds of America Youth Simulator Program, last year the company built a custom P-51 Mustang in honor of Colonel Clarence E. “Bud” Anderson and his famous “Old Crow.” For the duration of AirVenture 2018, both the P-51 Mustang simulator and the F4U Corsair simulator will be available to fly in the Warbirds Youth Education Center.

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Redbird Flight Simulations of Austin, TX was established in 2006 with the specific purpose of making aviation more accessible by using modern technology and careful engineering. Since its inception, Redbird has delivered innovative, reliable, and high-quality training devices to flight schools, colleges, universities, and individual pilots around the world. With more than 1,800 devices in service worldwide, Redbird has quickly become the fastest growing and most innovative simulator provider in the industry. For more information, please visit [www.redbirdflight.com](http://www.redbirdflight.com).