

## DownSyndrome Achieves' 2014 Shotgun Shoot to Include Skydiving Team Performance

*The 2014 Shotgun Shoot at Mad River Sportsman's Club will include airshow performers, Team Fastrax, who will be performing their famous American flag skydive. The event benefits DownSyndrome Achieves, a local charity supporting Down syndrome research.*

(BELLEFONTAINE, OH)

This Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, DownSyndrome Achieves will hold its 2014 Fall Shotgun Shoot at Mad River Sportsman's Club in Bellefontaine, OH. The event starts at 8 am, and at 8:50 am Team Fastrax™, a world renowned skydiving team, will be performing their American Flag Skydive. The performance will include their amazing 1,100 sq. ft. American flag. It's sure to be a sight you'll not soon forget. The event is being held to raise money to support research for Down syndrome.

John Hart, owner of [Start Skydiving](#), and founder of Team Fastrax™, said "We are thrilled to be performing at such an important event. There are so many children and adults living with Down syndrome, and not nearly enough is known about it. DownSyndrome Achieves does a great job of not only supporting these families, but also spearheading research initiatives. Being a part of this event to raise money for Down syndrome research is an honor."

According to their [website](#), DownSyndrome Achieves (DSA) takes a fresh and proactive approach toward advocacy. Along with creating a welcoming community of support for individuals and families living with Down syndrome, they're aggressively advancing research, legislation and education. They formed the nation's first Down syndrome research consortium. Known as the Down Syndrome Research Initiative (DSRI), this first of its kind collaborative is comprised of geneticists, neuroscientists, developmental and behavioral pediatricians, psychologists, nurse practitioners, social workers, and clinical geneticists from nine different pediatric and academic research institutions. For the first time, researchers and clinicians will share data, information, populations, and technologies to accelerate Down syndrome research and scientific discovery. They state that the more we learn and understand, the better equipped we are to teach new skills to those with Down syndrome. And that's what leads to greater independence and more meaningful lives.

Team Fastrax™ is sponsored by [Selection.com®](#), a leading provider of criminal background checks and pre-employment screening services. They are the most ambitious professional skydiving team in the world. The parachute demonstration team has a roster of more than twenty-nine active members, with a culmination of more than 300,000 skydives. [Team Fastrax™](#) has performed exhibition skydives all over the world for audiences large and small as a patriotic display or as a product promotion.

For more information on DownSyndrome Achieves and what they stand for, visit their [website](#).

For questions or for an interview, contact Gene Newsom with Team Fastrax™ at 513-422-5867.

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