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## Beechcraft Features T-6C Military Trainer and King Air 350i Turboprop at Avalon in Australia



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Beechcraft today announced it plans to display its T-6C military trainer Feb. 26 through March 3 at the 2013 Australian International Airshow and Aerospace & Defence Exposition (Avalon) in Geelong, Victoria.

Additionally, the company will exhibit a Beechcraft King Air 350i turboprop at the nearby Hawker Pacific static display TA16-18.

“The biennial Avalon event has proven to be an ideal venue to reach a broad range of military and civil prospects from Australia and the Pacific Region,” said Russ Bartlett, president, Defense Company. “We’ll have members of our defense team at chalet EW-1 to showcase the T-6C, the world’s most versatile, affordable and capable integrated pilot training system.”

The Beechcraft T-6C features a hard-point wing, an integrated glass cockpit and an advanced Esterline CMC Cockpit 4000 avionics suite that greatly expands advanced training opportunities. The systems are integrated with a Hands-On Throttle and Stick (HOTAS), providing the student pilot and instructor with a simpler interface to the digital cockpit. The CMC Cockpit 4000 avionics suite is the first in its class to incorporate a fully integrated and FAA-certified dual FMS/GPS navigation suite that meets the required navigation performance standards for current worldwide airspace equipment. The open architecture design of the Cockpit 4000 provides the flexibility to expand capabilities and continuously meet current and future training needs.

Deliveries of the T-6 began in 2000 after the aircraft was initially selected to fill the Joint Primary Aircraft Training System role for the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy. Since then, additional military programs worldwide, including NATO Flying Training Canada, the Hellenic Air Force of Greece, the Israeli Air Force, the Iraqi Air Force, the Royal Moroccan Air Force and the Mexican Air Force, have chosen the T-6 as their primary trainer. To date, the company has delivered nearly 800 T-6 aircraft.

Ideal for the vast Australian landscape, the Beechcraft King Air 350i turboprop features next generation capabilities and efficiency, providing a responsible, sustainable alternative for business air travelers. Not only is the King Air 350i its segment's greenest aircraft, but it can also take more passengers farther on less fuel – meaning consistent savings for its operators. This, combined with state-of-the-art design and performance enhancements, represents new heights of power and durability, while its new interior means that it has the most comfortable and capable cabin ever offered in its class.

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