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Hawker Beechcraft to Participate in Air Force Association Warfare Symposium & Exposition



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Company to highlight military trainers and special mission aircraft

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC), manufacturer of the United States Air Force's primary trainer, the Beechcraft T-6, will participate in the Air Force Association's 26th Annual Air Warfare Symposium and Technology Exposition on Feb. 18-19 at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel in Orlando, Fla.

Located in Booth #137, HBC's indoor exhibit will highlight the T-6 trainer, the Beechcraft AT-6 and the King Air 350ER.

The T-6 offers military organizations worldwide the most proven and most cost-effective training system available today. The T-6 is a primary trainer aircraft that accommodates instruction in instrument flight procedures and basic aerial maneuvers. In addition to the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy, it is used to train pilots in approximately 20 different countries. It recently achieved significant milestones with the achievement of one million flight hours and delivery of the 500th T-6 airplane.

The AT-6 is a structurally strengthened derivative of the proven Beechcraft T-6 trainer. Now upgraded with a more powerful 1600 Shaft Horsepower Pratt and Whitney PT6A-68D engine, the AT-6 is an affordable and capable multi-role, multi-mission aircraft system tailored for light attack/armed reconnaissance (LAAR) missions.

The King Air 350ER provides extended range through the addition of nacelle fuel tanks, along with an increase in gross weight from 15,000 to 16,500 pounds and the incorporation of heavy-weight landing gear. The aircraft is ideally suited for use in special missions as an airborne Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance platform. The aircraft can provide more than eight hours of endurance and has the flexibility to loiter low and slow or cruise at 300 knots and 35,000 feet.

The AFA Warfare Technology Exposition Hall hours will run from 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 18, followed by a reception in the Exhibit Hall from 5 - 7 p.m. On Friday Feb. 19, the hall will be open from 7 a.m. - noon, followed by a gala reception from 7 - 8 p.m.

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation is a world-leading manufacturer of business, special mission and trainer aircraft – designing, marketing and supporting aviation products and services for businesses, governments and individuals worldwide. The company's headquarters and major facilities are located in Wichita, Kan., with operations in Salina, Kan.; Little Rock, Ark.; Chester, England, U.K.; and Chihuahua, Mexico. The company leads the industry with a global network of more than 100 factory-owned and authorized service centers. For more information, visit www.hawkerbeechcraft.com.

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