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**Customer Appreciation Day Draws Crowd**



Over 360 people attended the Hangar63 (Banyan's Aviation Store) and TropicAero.com's customer appreciation day event held recently at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport.

Recently, Hangar63 (Banyan's Aviation Store) and TropicAero.com hosted their annual customer appreciation day. Over 360 people attended the event and participated in the day's activities that took place at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport.

Several vendors added to the excitement of the day: Charlie and Donna Rogers from Survival Products Inc. demonstrated inflating a safety raft; Gene Greene from Telex was on-site to promote the new Ascend headset; Mark Claprod from Bose promoted the Bose Aviation X Headsets; and Ed Morris represented the ACR product line. In addition, Premier Aircraft Sales had a Mooney and a Diamond DA40 on static display along with Cessna's 208 Caravan and a Corvalis.

Several other organizations attended, including, Angel Flight, Fort Lauderdale Flight Training, and the Florida Aero Club. Many attendees won drawings for prizes donated by the key event sponsors: Garmin, Bose, Avfuel, ACR Electronics, Oakley, and Telex.



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“We have been coming to the customer appreciation day for the last 3 years. This year the event has grown to include more activities for the kids making this a great event for the whole family,” said Captain John and Eloise Ruby.

Chuck Speakman, Manager of Hangar63 and TropicAero.com organized this year’s event and in addition to the activities added a bounce house, clown, face painting, basketball game, and cotton candy for the children to enjoy.

“We were very pleased with the turnout, and we are very grateful to all of our loyal customers and vendors who support us year-round. Without great customers and great vendors, events such as this would simply not be possible,” said Speakman.

Hangar63 (Banyan’s Aviation Store) is one of the largest aviation stores in the country. The 5,000 square foot showroom offers pilot supplies, a large selection of headsets, safety gear, training materials, charts, apparel, children’s items, radio controlled aircraft, and everything a pilot or aviation enthusiast needs or wants. Unique features of the store include a Gulfstream II fuselage equipped with flight simulator software, electronics tower featuring a wide variety of portable aviation electronics, entryway featuring a compass rose inlaid in the floor, propellers that jut out from the wall and runway lighting that sets off runway 13-31 down the center of the store. In addition, the store offers general aviation parts including Cessna, Piper and Beechcraft. TropicAero.com is Banyan’s Internet store and offers a wide variety of portable aviation equipment and pilot supplies. For more information, visit [banyanair.com](http://banyanair.com).

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