

1996 Florida Gathering

Jesse Groh (FL) - For the second year Joanie and Jack Fehling held a terrific EZ fly-in at Tailwinds Airpark on Tuesday, April 16. The date was selected since many EZs would be in the area for Sun'n Fun. While Joanie and her helpers were setting up a delicious display of cold cut sandwiches, Jack and others were busy helping park arriving EZs at the air-strip.

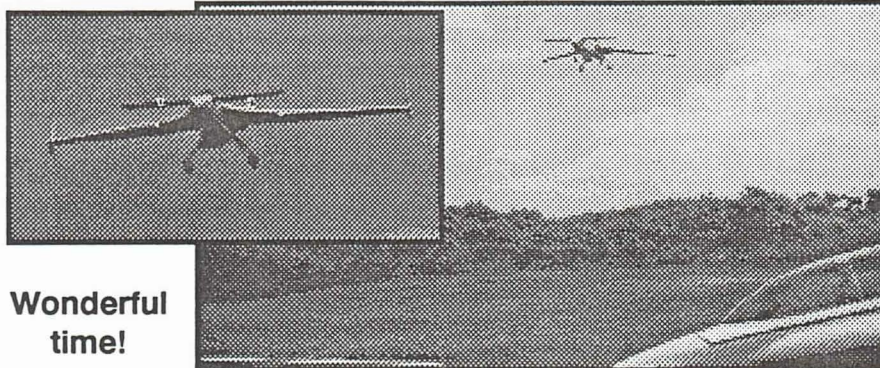
Then all ears heard a different sound to the west. It almost sounded like shockwaves building up on an airfoil. Everyone thought it had to be a Tomcat en route to Avon Park AFB but it couldn't be because the sound was getting closer and louder and was too pronounced. So all thought it had to be a Skymaster or a Mustang at warp speed! The suddenly two winglets appeared to the west. Surprise, it was Klaus Savier in his ultra efficient Vari-Eze! As Klaus turned final a Long-EZ was still clearing the runway. He added the coals and the go-around was immediate. Pretty impressive!

Back at the food tent, stories were told by all, including Judith Saber. She told how she started manufacturing prop extensions basically as a hobby. That turned into a full time job due to the high demand resulting from her outstanding machine work.

Central States would like to thank Joanie and Jack for, once again, hosting a super fly-in and for providing us with the best potato salad in the east!

Whatta Guy!

It was rumored that Sid Stiber, sage Long-EZ guru from Shelter island, did the gentlemanly thing at Sun'n Fun. He was quoted as saying, "You boys run along and race. I'll stay here and protect the womenfolk."



Wonderful time!



Great Food!!

Perfect location



What a success!!

Tremendous Hospitality!!

A BIG Thank You to Jack & Joni & the Florida Folks!

