



## Tannkosh 2008

From July 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> 2008, this year's Tannkosh-Fly-In will take place in Tannheim. Like in the previous years, the emphasis lays on hosting a great gettogether of pilots and airplanes and last but not least the party, organized by pilots for pilots.

We, the Tannkosh Team, will do whatever it takes to make this event become the highlight of your flying season 2008. We are looking forward to every single aircraft that lands at Tannheim "International", to be a part of Tannkosh 2008.

We are especially proud to welcome numerous rare airplanes and great flying displays that have confirmed their participation, so everybody will be able to take a closer look at those beauties and talk to the owners and pilots.

Please go to the news section of [www.tannkosh.com](http://www.tannkosh.com) for more details and information about participating aircraft.

### Sequence of events:

- Arrivals:** If possible, it would be best if you could plan to arrive on or before July 18<sup>th</sup>. On Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> lots of flying displays will take place, which might lead to delays for arriving aircraft. To avoid dangerous situations please bring extra fuel for an extra turn in the holding, especially if you have a longer trip. To reduce the delays we are planning to limit Airshow display times to max. 20 minutes per hour, with arrival and departure windows in between. We will publish changes about arrival procedures and other important information in the news section. Please make sure to check them regularly on [www.tannkosh.com](http://www.tannkosh.com)
- Partystuff:**  
July 17<sup>th</sup> Arrival of the early birds and exhibitors. File your claim on the flightline and then come and join us for a fun evening among friends.
- July 18<sup>th</sup> Party on and around the airfield, lots of airplanes to admire, Airshow displays, workshops - and our flying bands will be give you a swinging welcome. You can relax in the warm July sun, stroll along the colourful flightline, talk to pilots from all over Europe – and you're sure to have a fun at our "Beech-Party" hosted by the pilots of the Beech 18 coming to visit. Come and see Sgt. Wilson's Army Airshow! First appearance in Germany!
- July 19<sup>th</sup> Lot's of flying displays, interviews with participants, information for pilots, workshops.
- 20:00 "Rock in the Hangar" with the "Joe Williams Band" playing for you, you can dance or just enjoy the music while having a drink in our cocktail bar. The perfect background for international pilot-talks☺
- 00:00 Excellent food will be provided by our catering service. (yes, drinks too!)  
The Midnight fireworks are designed to inspire you and will definitely not be the end of the party.





## [History of Tannheim Airfield](#)

On July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1976, Max and Helga Dolderer, the founders, celebrated the inauguration of Tannheim airport as a public airfield with lots of friends (and their four little children). After more than two years of hard work, tons of paperwork and bureaucratic hurdles their dream became reality.

Tannheim airport is one of the very few public airfields in Germany which are family-owned and operated. It all started in the early 70's, when Max Dolderer got his pilot's license, training on a Piper Cub, and fell in love with flying. He was a farmer back then, and already well acquainted with hard work and deprivation, and found his thoughts and dreams going airborne more and more. He subsequently put his whole existence on the line, poured every ounce of energy and willpower as well as everything he owned into his dream of creating an airport that would be home for lots of pilots and airplanes. He wanted to create a special atmosphere, giving the pilots the kind of service and care that would make them feel at home, as part of a big family. This is the spirit in which this place is still run, and Max and Helga still live right on the airport, operate the restaurant and give every student pilot, aviator and all friends of aviation a warm welcome.

The special atmosphere and quite a number of activities and parties are what has made this airport well known all over Germany and across many borders.

In 1982 a flight school was added to the family business. It, too, has grown and become well known over the years. Hundreds of students have been trained to fly all kinds of airplanes, motorgliders, gliders and ultralights. Verena and Matthias Dolderer, both of whom grew up at the airport, have been leading the the flight school and flight operations since 1994 and have vowed to preserve and continue their parents' visions and dreams.





## History of the TANNKOSH-FLY-IN

Tannheim Airport is the cradle of microlight-flying in Germany. We were the first public airport who permitted microlights to be operated on the field, in fact we invited them to come and fly with us. In 1982, we founded the first German Ultralight-Flying-School. Ever since that time the number of microlight-pilots have grown considerably, we are now the home base for 40 Ultralights.

In 1993, we invited all the microlight-pilots we knew to come to our first UL-Fly-In. All of them came. We had great fun, everybody showing off their airplanes, flying a lot, and sitting around a campfire in the evening grilling sausages and singing along with a very gifted aviator playing guitar☺

The UL-FLY-IN then became a very popular yearly event. More and more pilots came to visit us every year. In 1995 about 50 airplanes came to the Fly-In. Back then we used to organise joint trips to other airfields, all of us together, in several formations, grouped according to airspeed. This became increasingly difficult with the growing number of visitors and eventually was not possible any more. So we decided we should present the pilots with some entertainment at our own airfield where everyone is part of the show.

Why did the UL-FLY-IN not stay purely ultralight?

Because lots of friends and pilots flying everything that has wings, including lots of rare and special airplanes, have just joined the party over the years! And we're happy they did!

All of us here in Tannheim have always been open for all types of flying and welcome all pilots. Originally, we have invited the ultralight pilots to a meeting place when many airfields were not open to UL's, and they thanked us for it by coming together here in Tannheim in ever growing numbers! But by now the ultralight scene has long been integrated into general aviation. Now the diversity of the different types of airplanes makes the meeting even more attractive for everyone.

some numbers:

- 1998: appx. 100 airplanes
- 1999: appx. 200 airplanes
- 2000: appx. 150 airplanes (date postponed due to bad weather)
- 2001: appx.. 300 airplanes (great! and we figured we couldn't beat that!)
- 2002: appx. 400 airplanes
- 2003: appx. 550 airplanes
- 2004: appx. 780 airplanes
- 2005: appx. 850 airplanes**
- 2006: more than 1.300 airplanes**

Looking back, 2003 was a great year for us: for the first time we jumped the 500-mark: about 550 visiting airplanes, including of course at least a crew of two in most of the them, made this Fly-In a magical one.





The magic mood was enhanced by all the cheerful pilots in high spirits from all over Germany, Austria, the Netherlands, Belgium, England, Italy, Switzerland, Spain, Czech Republic and France. Everyone immensely enjoyed the visit of a record number of classic vintage aircraft, many beautiful biplanes, aerobatic aircraft and several Warbirds (e.g. the Flying Bulls' F4U Corsair, several T-6, Stearmans, Stampe, Tigermoth, Bückers, 10 YAKS, Pitts, Eagles, Diabolo, Antonov AN-2, PZL 106- one of the last types in airworthy condition-, 15 parachute jumpers, Base jumper Hannes Arch, and last but by no means least the world aerobatic champion Mr. Klaus Schrodtr and the world class aerobatic Mr. Gyro Frank Versteegh – all of whom contributed to a truly grand and exciting spontaneous airshow!

All of them flew great formations or solo displays, and all of them are friends who just enjoy to come to our parties – and to perform for an enthusiastic audience.

This was the year when a reporter covering our Fly-In for a German aviation magazine renamed it "TANNKOSH" - a combination of TANNheim and OSHkosh, and we of course very proudly adopted this denomination!

The FLY-IN grew bigger every year – and so did our team of pilots and friends helping us during several days of Action. Our Team Tannkosh meanwhile grew to over 150 aviation enthusiasts. All of them call Tannheim their home base, most of them are part of our flight school (students, pilots, instructors, and their families) or have their aircraft based here. Many have been part of the TANNKOSH-Crew for several years now and they deserve big praise since Tannkosh wouldn't be possible without them and they are enthusiastic, hard-working and absolutely marvellous.

Over the years several Meetings inside our Fly-In have developed, like the already in itself legendary Renegade-Meeting. Other aircraft-builders and all major aircraft companies take part in the FLY-IN to arrange a get together of customers, friends and interested parties, which made the numbers of participating pilots grow again.

In recent years, quite a number of beautifully restored vintage cars, motor cycles and tractors have visited us during the FLY-IN – what a fantastic addition to the vintage airplanes and the colourful flightline!

The already famous parties on the evenings of the FLY-IN have reached somewhat of a cult status. The marvellous bands as well as other "special acts" have had people dancing on the tables and having a great time for years now. First-Class-Catering, the midnight fireworks and our very own Pilots' Bar also make this event special. We can truly say our "Rock in the Hangar" is the platform for a lively and international communication and understanding between aviators.





### **Tannkosh meets Oshkosh!**

It was a big honour for us to welcome Tom and Sharon Poberezny here in Tannheim in April 2007. Tom (who is a living legend and known to aviators all over the world) is the president of the EAA. Tom and Sharon are the chief organizers of Oshkosh, the world's biggest and most famous Fly-In, and they came to visit Tannheim, the home of "Tannkosh", to have a closer look at the grass field that welcomed over 1.300 airplanes last year☺ - and they were quite enthusiastic and felt right at home here! We met at the AERO in Friedrichshafen, where they asked us what the term "Tannkosh" stands for – and we are proud to say that they seemed quite pleased with our explanation that Tannkosh has always been inspired by our "big brother" Oshkosh – and we now have the "official go ahead" to carry on with this proud name☺

To all participants of Tannkosh: we have been recognized by the Oshkosh-Team! We may even expect a team from Oshkosh to visit Tannkosh 2008! We are still absolutely thrilled to have had the chance to meet the delegation from Oshkosh – including goose bumps and all☺



Thanks to all of you – pilots and crews from all over Europe! We are Tannkosh! All of us, the flying community as well as our team, make this event possible. You're the reason why we work hard to keep the spirit of Tannkosh flying – come join the party organized BY pilots FOR pilots.

TANNKOSH has become a yearly cult event for pilots from all over Europe, who take to the air and come to Tannheim to be part of the party. And because of them, this event has become the biggest Fly-In in Germany, or even Europe. Come fly with us!

