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### **Personal Rotorcraft Fly-In:**

#### **Gyroplanes, Helicopters, Powered Parachutes - All Aircraft Welcome**

It has been called "The world's greatest personal rotorcraft event." Gyroplanes, (gyrocopters) helicopters and autogyros, including other sport and GA aircraft, will gather at the Mentone Airport (C-92), Mentone, Indiana, 12296-W and 600-S, July 31<sup>st</sup> Through August 4 for the **50<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention** of the Popular Rotorcraft Association. This is a rare opportunity to see these unique flying machines, talk to the pilots, builders, kit manufacturers, and see them fly. The rotorcraft will range from simple open-frame ultralight gyroplanes and helicopters to multi-seat enclosed cross-country rotorcraft.

Joining the rotorcraft this year will be the powered parachute *EXTRAVAGANZA*, with powered parachutes from across the United States. The convention keynote speaker will be **Vance Breese**, world-renowned motorcycle racer, who will be talking about his experiences learning to fly after his racing injury.

This unique event has been presented every year for five decades. In recent years it has been held at the Mentone, Indiana airport, owned by the Popular Rotorcraft Association. All aircraft types are welcome to fly in, and a support crew will work to blend fixed-wing and rotary-wing traffic parking. The airport has on-site space for tent camping, showers and also hookups for water and electricity for RVs. WIFI internet access available near PRA office. A concession

stand provides food and beverage service. Local motels are available. Premium auto gas will be available for purchase on site and 100LL is available 7 miles away.

Visitors will see daily flight demonstrations and open flying continuing throughout each day. Certified flight instructors will also offer demonstration rides for those who wish to experience the thrill of flight in a gyroplane. A variety of vendors will be present with everything from T-Shirts and wind socks to rotorblades and engines.

Forums and workshops presented daily discussing many aspects of building and flying gyroplanes, helicopters and light sport aircraft. Cross-country events will be conducted after each daily pilot briefing. Convention visitors may visit the on-field Archimedes/LeRoy Hardee Museum of Homebuilt Rotorcraft, and take a tour of the Bell Helicopter Museum nearby.

Register Here: <http://www.pra.org/conventionreg.aspx>

One Day Pass \$5 (available at gate)

Belong to an Indiana Motorcycle, Tractor or Auto Club? We would like to display your vehicles during the convention. Please contact Jane at the PRA office!

The **Popular Rotorcraft Association (PRA)**, is a worldwide organization of personal rotorcraft enthusiasts. In addition to hosting this annual convention, PRA also sponsors local and regional events and promotes flying safety and information exchange. More information about PRA and its activities is available online at [www.pra.org](http://www.pra.org) or call (574) 353-7227.



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