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IT'S FOR REAL: Legal Ultralight Butterfly Gyroplane hits the market.

A true Ultralight gyroplane with a pre rotator is now available ready to fly from The Butterfly Aircraft LLC of Aurora, Texas. "This flying machine doesn't require a pilots license or registration of any kind", says Valorie White, executive vice president of TBALLC.

"The new Butterfly Ultralight weighs less than 254 lbs., has a 5 gallon fuel tank, and flies 62 mph making it a true ultralight. You can order it completely built or you can build it yourself from a kit. It also fits in the back of a standard sized pickup truck", said White.

Until now the extra weight of a pre rotator has made most gyroplanes unable to fit into the Ultralight FAA Part 103 category. A pre rotator mechanically spins the rotor blades and shortens the ground run for liftoff. This new Butterfly design has a high tech light weight pre rotator that uses a modern 36 volt model airplane motor with 2.7 hp that only weighs 2.2 lbs.

This new Butterfly Ultralight comes with three engine options: A Rotax 503, a MZ 201, or a MZ 202 engine. This model is recommended for pilots weighing up to 200 lbs. The MZ 202 model can fly a pilot weight of 225 lbs.

"This new Butterfly UL model is actually a remake of our first Butterfly that was introduced at Airventure in 2003. With a few modifications and the new electric motor technology for the pre rotator we are now able to easily make the 254 lb. weight requirement to be a legal Ultralight", said White.

With the downturn of true ultralight aircraft available many fixed wing UL pilots are considering becoming swing wing pilots with their new UL Butterfly. The fact that you can also fly in high winds up to 50 mph is also attractive to most pilots.

A lot of gyroplane pilots are excited at the availability of an affordable, storable, and transportable ultralight gyroplane without the need for a license or registration.

"The Ultralight Butterfly also has the new centerline thrust technology and a horizontal stabilizer centered in the prop blast that has proven to be a stable and safe flyer", said White.

Valorie said more information about the Ultralight Butterfly is on the website at: www.thebutterflyllc.com

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***Media Art: Pictures may be downloaded of the Ultralight Butterfly from the website. Go to: www.thebutterflyllc.com Click on The Ultralight Butterfly. Click on The Ultralight Butterfly Photo Gallery.)

