



March 2012

Tom Milton, editor

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Date: Saturday March 31, 2012

Time: 11:00am - ?

Place: Club Hangar, D-5

Lansing Municipal Airport
Glenwood-Lansing Rd. and Burnham Ave.
Lansing, IL 60438

Enter from Burnham Ave.

If you don't have a gate card, call any officer at the bottom of the newsletter to be let in.

Cook-out to follow meeting

Travel Adam's Report

As I write this brief report I find myself sitting in the shade of an umbrella, beside a shimmering blue swimming pool mere yards from the gulf of Mexico. It's that time of year again when gyroplanes and Florida converge - its **Bensen Days**. Angie, baby George (5.5 months old) and I set off on our trip last Thursday. We decided to take the trip easy and stretch it to 3 days. All the planning was worth it as the trip down was happily uneventful despite a freak hailstorm and some very heavy rainfall. As You can see in the picture, we are driving a '00 Ford Explorer, and yes the original Firestone tires have been replaced. My blade box is attached to the stock aluminum luggage rack rails which are held down with several bolts to the roof. I made 4 custom metal rail inserts with a quarter inch stud in each through which the ends of two 2x4s are bolted which are in turn screwed to the bottom of my blade box. Even through hail and heavy rain at highway speeds, the inside of the blade box remained dry and well attached. Contact club member Ray Harstick for more info on the design and construction of the blade box. (rayharstick@yahoo.com)

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See next page for his photo

ALBERT DYER'S

I Flew a Gyroplane! Article was recently published both in the PRA's Ezine and Powered Sport Flying Magazine January's Issue of PRA Ezine www.PRA.org I'm guessing it's the same article in the March copy newsstand-quality magazine which can be subscribed to at www.psfmagazine.com/

Annual Dues \$25 Due April 1ST

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 31 Club meeting

Mar 21-25 Bensen Days

July 31-August 4, 2012 PRA CONVENTION

Sunday, June 12, 2011

Club Hangar
Wauchula, FL.
Mentone, IN.
Lansing, IL.

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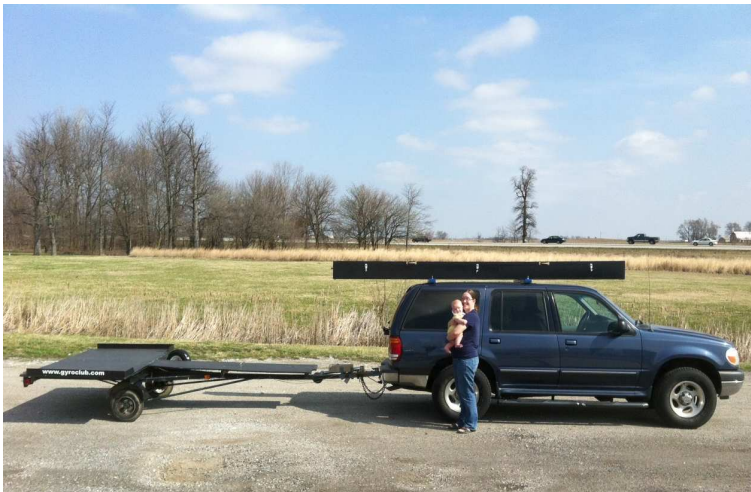
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This is Angie and George with Adam's trailer and blade box up top.



2012 Ultralight / Light Plane Safety Seminar Saturday, March 3, 2012

The Club again this year rented a van and traveled to Springfield IL. Adam Helwich, Joe Day, Noel Hinman Tom Milton Chuck and Mike Roberg, and Larry Zimmerman attended.



CLUB BUILD NIGHTS

The club build night has been changed to Thursdays by popular vote. In alphabetical order:

Nick Costa has finished the seat tank installation, next is foot controls and nose pod

Jack Fisher winglets on his horizontal stabilizer are done.

Jon and Noel Hinman are also making strides, they have been working on their control system and have the rotorhead mocked in place on their rolling Monster gyro airframe.

Andy Svehla's Air Command is ready for a Hang Test next.

Ed Wiggin's is ready for it's test flight.

Larry Zimmerman is hoping to finish his dual training this April with Ron Menzie in Arkansas.

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