

# Spinning on the Wind

A Gyronaut's Tale

## Key selling points

- A chronicle of a tiny British company, which for a brief but spectacular moment burned so brightly across the globe.
- A fascinating flight through the history of the gyroplane, compiled from documents that came so close to being thrown away and lost forever.
- This book tells a tale of ordinary folk who achieved extraordinary things that will appeal as much to the aviation buff as lovers of a good story.

## About the book

The arrival of the 1960s saw the dawn of the homebuilt gyroplane. A new genre of aviation like nothing seen before: a wing that lives and breathes, driven purely by the wind. Deceptive in its simplicity, addictive in its freedom and deadly to the unwary. It's a powerful enchantment.

In domestic garages and garden sheds, ordinary people built tiny rotorcraft – then taught themselves to fly by reading the instructions.

Two pioneers were smitten by this exciting new form of flight and set out on an identical path, weaving a circle of coincidence that spanned five decades and encompassed a nation.

It's a fine line between rapture and tragedy.

One flight is all it takes...

## About the author

Taught to fly in the same manner as the pioneers by a gyroplane legend, Shirley Jennings is the first British woman to qualify as a gyroplane pilot since 1934. She remains the only female pilot to have ever flown a single-seat gyroplane in Britain.



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## Book information

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