

## District III

Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia

**As I wrote** this, we were in winter here in District III and outdoor activity was minimal. I used the time to get caught up on events from 2022. This month's report is from Cincinnati area Associate Vice President (AVP) Randy Adams.

"After a three-year hiatus, the Dayton Dawn Patrol Rendezvous returned to the National Museum of the United State Air Force at the historic Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio, on October 7-8, 2022. This semiannual event is sponsored by the National Museum of the USAF Foundation and supported by the Great War Aeroplane Association and World War I flying groups from both full-scale and RC modeling communities.

"The event director was Lee McDuffee, and Doug Cox was the AMA contest director. The event is focused on The Great War, also known as World War I, the War to End All Wars. It is a combination of full-scale flying replicas, RC models, and ground-battle reenactments, including medical treatment doctors and nurses.

"The midway is lined with theme vendors and displays. Model flying started on Wednesday evening, with media day on Thursday, enticing some pilots to fly in a stiff wind.

"Friday brought early flights at dawn, but by mid-morning a brisk crosswind and cool temperatures shut down most of the flying. The RC area had a lot of spectators who engaged the pilots and took photo shots with some of the more popular airplanes. Saturday was a beautiful day, and many modelers took to the sky.

"Here are some interesting statistics from the RC event: There were 71 registered pilots with 104 aircraft from 16-states. There were four 1/2-scale and one full scale model. Roughly 49% of the aircraft were 1/3 scale and 32% were 1/4 scale. Another 26% were scratch-built, 66% were built from kits, and 8% were prefabbed of some sort.

"The quality of the builders just keeps getting better as this sector of modeling continues to grow in popularity. The pilots voted for three categories: Best of Show, Best Entente (airplanes with circles), and Best Central Powers (airplanes with crosses)."

Thank you, Randy, for your report. We are blessed to have the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in District III and the fact that it is

receptive to hosting model aviation events is an added benefit to our hobby.



Best of Show was Sal Calvagna from New York with his 1/6-scale Sikorsky Ilya Muromets.



Bryan Baumer (L) from Indiana, and District III AVP Randy Adams (R) with their N17 Nieuports.



The Best Central Powers was Bill Holland of Oklahoma and his 1/2-scale Fokker Dr.I triplane.



The Best Entente winner was Jim Ellis of Oklahoma and his 1/2-scale Sopwith Camel.

**Until next month**, stay safe and fly safely! 



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