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## District III

Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia

**In the spring**, I received an email from the president of the Susquehanna Valley Modelers inviting me to the club's annual fly-in. As District III vice president, I try to attend as many events as possible, particularly if it's one that I have never been to before.

The email indicated that there would be a wedding at the field on Saturday and after reading this I decided that this would be a great event to attend, especially since I had never witnessed a wedding at a flying field.

I arrived on Friday afternoon at the field in Danville, Pennsylvania, and was pleasantly surprised how it was situated on top of a ridge that overlooked the scenic Pennsylvania countryside below. It was a beautiful, serene sitting for a flying field and a wedding!

Saturday, July 6, arrived and the cars, trucks, and trailers began showing up and the field looked like a fly-in. At the pilots' meeting, contest director and club president, David Hughes, announced all of the club safety rules and indicated that at 12 p.m., all flying would cease for the wedding.



A view of the Susquehanna club's pit area and flying field with the Pennsylvania countryside in the background. Beautiful!



Club President David Hughes and his bride, Diana, were married on the scenic Susquehanna Club flying field. Congratulations!

The hour arrived and the wedding began with family and friends of the bride and groom participating. The pair exchanged vows with the minister providing scriptures and guiding words then the minister announced, "I now present to you Mr. and Mrs. Hughes." The celebration was on with the modelers in attendance congratulating the newlyweds and plenty of celebratory cake being served to everyone.

Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. David Hughes on your marriage, and also to the Susquehanna Valley Modelers for hosting a great fly-in and wedding ceremony. It is an event I won't forget.

**While attending** the Susquehanna event, I told area modeler Ed Brazina that I would be traveling home on Sunday and was interested in visiting any neighboring club that would be on my way. Ed suggested that I visit his club, the Tri-County Wing Snappers, roughly an hour away and on my route home.

I followed Ed through the scenic Pennsylvania countryside which took us to the Blue Mountain Academy, a Seventh-Day Adventist private school north of Reading. The RC field is a full-scale private airstrip (PA92) located on the foothills of the Blue Mountain range. The club grilled hamburgers and hot dogs and we enjoyed a great day of flying, food, and fellowship in the beautiful Pennsylvania mountains.



Members of the Tri County Wing Snappers are proud their beautiful RC field at the Blue Mountain Academy in Hamburg PA.

The club is very active, flying all types of aircraft. Several members flew FPV wings around flag-type pylons. Great fun! A big shoutout to club president Jack Hilbert and members of the Tri-County Wing Snappers for hosting me on such short notice! I hope that one day I can fly my Cherokee into this airstrip and fly RC again at this beautiful facility.

**Until next month**, fly safely, fly AMA.