

## District III

Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia

**As most of you know**, the Toledo Show: R/C Model Expo, hosted by the Toledo Weak Signals club ended in 2020. This show was the largest RC expo in the world and is greatly missed by the faithful modelers who attended throughout its 65-year history.

A part of the Toledo Expo however is living on and that is the famous swap shop and auction. I was unable to attend so I asked Associate Vice President Joe Vislay, a member of the Toledo Weak Signals, to report on this new venue.

“With the ending of the Toledo Expo in 2020 the Valley City R/C Club of Medina, Ohio, stepped up and sponsored the Toledo Swap Meet and Auction on April 9-10, 2021, held at the Seagate Convention Centre, the same facility as the previous Toledo Expos. Contest Director (CD) Henry Rauhaus is better known as Hank by those in the hobby.

“The Valley City Club will host this event for the next 5 years. The swap shop is now held on the main convention floor. I was overwhelmed by the amount of space taken up by all of the people selling things. With COVID precautions still with us, tables and aisles were spaced well enough apart that you could feel free to move around with hundreds of people looking for just the right things. You could find it there.



CD Henry "Hank" Rauhaus was happy with the attendance at the Toledo Swap Meet.



A partial view down one of the large aisles providing plenty of room for swappers and vendors.



One of several vendors who attended the Toledo Swap Meet.

“This is a perfect place to meet old friends and make new ones. At one of the concessions stands, I sat down with an old friend to share a little hangar talk and listen to the announcer call numbers for door prizes. I returned the next day looking for the things I needed. I talked with several vendors who were there showing products before the auction.

“The auction is one of the things you should not miss. Fun was had by all. Mark your calendars for April 1-2, 2022 and come and see this event grow.”


Thank you, Joe, for your report. I am looking forward to attending this event in the future.

**I received** the following email from District III member Mark Snowden of Batavia, Ohio.



One of Mark Snowden's model build notebooks and a sample inside Mark's P-51 model build log.

“Over the past five years, I have enjoyed developing build logs in PowerPoint for my RC air-planes. This year I printed out eight of them and put them in a three-ring binder. Each sheet was put in its own protective sleeve. I also keep an electronic file. I think long after my planes are gone, this notebook will outlive them all.”

Thank you, Mark, for sharing that great idea! For more District III news and information, visit [www.amadistrict-iii.com](http://www.amadistrict-iii.com). 



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