



Nature-Park Oberer Bayerischer Wald DLFF-097

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My plan for 2011 was more biking and less radio. Due to some health-problems however it was not possible so again also this year more ham-radio and less biking. So at october 2nd at

first it was not exactly clear what will be the destination. When we were in august active from castle Reichenstein, we viewed also for a location to activate the castle of Wernberg. However this castle has actually no WCA-number and the chance, to get it so short-termed would be very small. So we finally decided to do again a WFF-only operation this time in the area bavarian wood. In last years first activation from DLFF-097 together with DC2RK and DK4RM we made 597 contacts from there. So meanwhile there was no local activity from the park-area and for sure again a high demand. So I started with my xyl around 0930 UTC. From the previous activation the area was well-known and some possible locations were in my assortment but then, directly beside the main-road „Ostmarkstrasse“ which is going through the complete bavaria wood, I re-



welcome in the park-area

membered to the very large parking-array behind a discotheque and used this as location. The setup was quickly done and at 1030UTC the first station YT1MZ was in the 40meter log.

Against the previous day in czech-republic here 40 meter was much better. Altogether got 128 stations in the 7MHz-log. I used only one antenna this trip because time was too short to make a lot of changes so only 40 and 20 were done from here.

Close behind were the 118 contacts on 20 meters which made a total of 246 QSO. The overall operation-time was good 2,5 hours. We finished the operation at 1305 UTC with HB9DWY as the last one. 85 percent of the contacts were made in SSB this time, so no QRM from train or anything else here. The complete area was empty the whole time.

As equipment used again the FT450AT



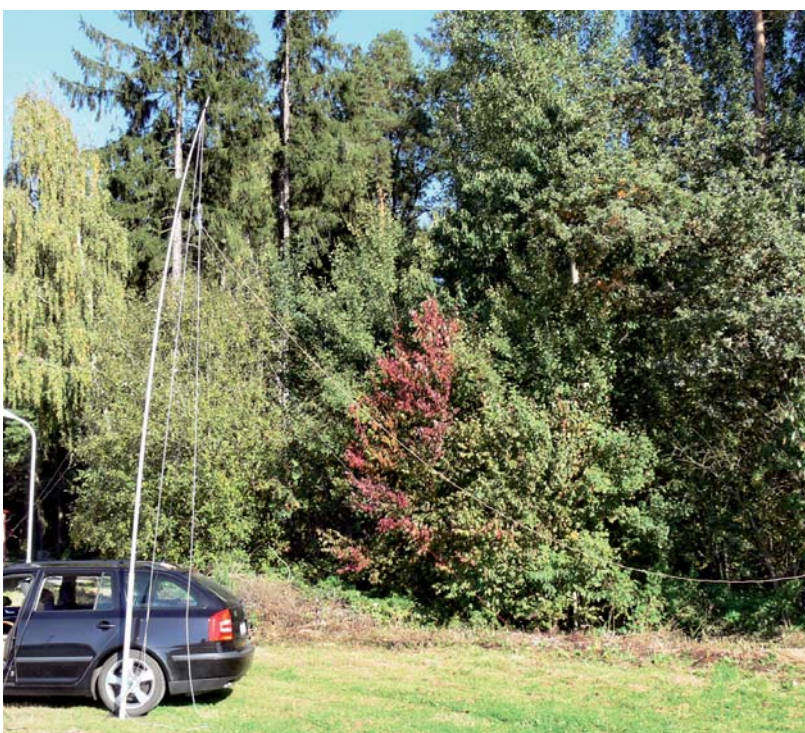
large parking-array



with double-dipole, battery-powered. When unmounting everything, I still saw that I had forgotten to include into my mast-construction the stabilizing tube at the lower-end because it was standing not so straight as usual but anyway, luckily there was no problem during the operation and of course also sunny weather, no wind, a day again like summer. On the return-way home we checked the local conditions there at the castle of Niedermurach. So I was too tired to build up anything again and also the location there doesn't allow to set up the mast-construction. So this will be definitely a mobile-antenna-only-operation. So the plan is, for next-years season to activate the two castles of Niedermurach and Wernberg the same day because they are very close together. Both of them are located in DLFF-098 and of course also interesting for WFF-hunters again. So this was finally my portable operation number 16 in the season 2011, 6 of them large-scale-operations together with my colleagues. Since 2010 meanwhile 10500 contacts were made under the callsigns DAOCW and OK8WFF. All contacts were confirmed via bureau and EW4DX-database. Also the cards for this operation are already in the buro und should reach you in the next months.



saw very late that a tube was missed so not too straight today



more than enough night-lights for the dipole

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Now I think that definitely the season is over. Last year we had in late october the first snow. Of course there are further plans. Made some locations-checks for the next castle-operations in DLFF-119. If we don't meet again this year, hope to meet you all in the next WCA-WFF-season in the hope that all of us are in good health-conditions till there.

73, 44, till the next time

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