



Nature-Park Fränkische Schweiz / Veldensteiner Forst DLFF-061 24.september 2011

At the beginning of this years WFF-season we talked about possibly activations during the year, because all surrounding WFF-areas we had activated mostly several times. Checking the maps we found an interesting area in DLFF-061. However in the database already more than 1000 different chasers have this one confirmed. After checking more carefully we found out that a number of highclamed scorers of WFF-community has no confirmed QSO with this one. For example, Luciano I5FLN one of the worldwide top-ten-hunters had no confirmed QSO with this one. Reason for this circumstance was that there happened an activity, which I worked my own

also. This fellow never sent in the log for EW4DX-database. That was why a lot of hunters had it, but not confirmed. So our plan saw that we will make a tour to this park also. But in july when we planned our next team-trip we had the decision to go either to OKFF-012 or DLFF-061, both with nearly the same distance for us we favorized the Cesky Les activity and made our best scoring 1000 QSO-trip since we started. Then later the year we decided to make the two new one activites from Haßberge DLFF-064 and Steigerwald DLFF-117. However into the head I still had some plans for DLFF-061. When I was in the area together with my XYL in early july we selected a location for the planned team-tour, but when checking with the latest map-material I found that one critical as too close on the border between DLFF-093 and DLFF-061. DLFF-093 is one of the easiest parks in bavaria. There are two



starting with the antenna-setup

active stations with Karl DL4RU and Charly DL6RDE which handed out this park to more then 3000 different stations. In DLFF-061 there is nearly no local activity. When my XYL and me arrived in the area near Thurndorf, our selected location, the first QTH was not so good. Already build up antenna we decided to pull down everything again and find a better one. The day was beautiful sunny, like a summer-day, all smaller roads were



view to the city ofThurndorf



populated by farmers and their heavy machines but then when surrounding the area a second time we found an ideal location on a hill called Kalvarienberg at 650meters ASL. As we learned later, this location will be also used for VHF/UHF-contest from the local hams. After mounting of mast and antenna finally the operation started with US5UZ at 1158 UTC on 20 meters. Of course



little limited place in the shack

Equipment was an YAESU FT450, with an external battery powered, micro-keyer II, Acer 1810 netbook and double-dipole for 20/40 on a fiberglass-mast about 8 meters up. Beside some JA/W/VE-stations also Luciano I5FLN made it into the log and already has his counter confirmed. Upload to the EW4DX-database happened the same day and is meanwhile verified. Also QSL-cards are ready to go via the buro, thanks to our QSL-manager Heinz DL7RAG.

the number of contacts depends at first from the conditions and secondary that someone spot you in the cluster. So after the first spots appeared I had a busy first hour with 117 QSO. After 20 meter we had also a good run on 40 meters. When checking 17 meters there was nearly nothing with the mobile-antenna, so I quickly returned and continued on 20 and 40. In a totally operation-time of about 2,5 hours 224 stations made it into the log. Last contact was with G3UOF on 20 meters SSB. 67 contacts were made on 7 MHz, against 157 on 14 MHz. 25 percent in CW and 75 percent in SSB.

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