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The Castle of Hardeck is located near the town Neualbenreuth closed to the Czech Republic. Neualbenreuth became very famous in the last years by Sibyllenbad with its medicinal spring opened in the 90s.



view to the Castle of Hardeck

The small village Hardeck is about 2 kilometers away from there and the castle was the first time named in history in the year 1238 were it belonged to the castle-ring around the castle of Eger (Cheb). In the middle ages there was the previous castle more a fortress while later the building came into the ownership of the abbey Waldsassen. After 1708 the former fortress was moved into a building with more palace-style were the headers of the abbey used it for their home. During secularization the abbey lost the posession in 1803 and the remaining parts of the building were used as accomodation as well as chicken-house. In the beginning of the 20th century a family buyed the building and in 1976 the grandchild of the former owner made his first flat in

the building. The owner-family made a restauration until the year 2001 and received a medal for their engagement in monument protection.

We used a short visit to our former hometown Waldsassen to combine it with this castle-activity. Hardeck was introduced in the WCA-listing one year ago however so far no activity. We used the free day at Whit Monday for the usual two hour activation. There is just behind the castle a small bike-way were we settled down. This time my fried and club-member Xaver DK4RM was the first one in the log and with the first spot from him it started to run on 40 meters. After one hour and the first hundred callers in the log I switched more often between 20 and 40 however 20 again was not so well. Finally we closed the station after nearly exact two hours operating-time and 158 contacts in the log. It was a very hot day and with the 30 degrees outside we













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Information-table about Zelezna Hurka

had to end as well as the conditions were going to close down. When so close in the area we decided to do some investigation about Zelezna Hurka, the latest active-volcano in Czech Republic. About three kilometers behind Hardeck is a small way into Czech Republic were you find an information table about the history of the volcano which was visited by Johann Wolfgang von Goethe during his walks in the area.

The new WWFF-counter is very closed to the german side, about 400 meters to go, however nearly unreachable currently as it's surrounded by a grainfield.

Maybe there will be a possibility

in the future in spring or autumn-time when the fields are down but not possible at the moment. I

73, 44, 11 cu from the next one Manfred -DF6EX-

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Logs already were uploaded in the online-databases:

http://logsearch.wwff.co http://www.wcagroup.org http://logsearch.cotagroup.org

All reports from previous activites can be found at:

http://www.qrz.com/db/da0cw



view to OKFF-0312, very close but difficult to reach







