

OK8WFF/p - 30.08.2014 OKFF-0943 - OKFF - 1102 - OKFF - 0006 Nature-Reserve Smradoch + Nature-Reserve Vlcek Landscape Park Slavkovsky Les



While touring through the area of Slavkovsky Les (OKFF-0006) and activating there several WWFFs on solo-trips with my xyl, we selected also locations were probably a bigger activity would be possible. After activating OKFF-0106+1051+0299+0247 there were two remaining in that area which fullfilled



location at nature-reserve Smradoch OKFF-0943, one antenna on the parking-bay, second in the wood

that criteria. After several talkings on our club-meetings we decided to go on august, 30. We consisted by Günther DC2RK, Xaver DK4RM and Manfred DF6EX.

We met at the border-crossing Mähring/Broumov at 0500 UTC and were driving the about 30 kilometers on OK-side. The way brought us along our first OKFF-0006 location from 2010 and also along Castle of Kynzvart, driving up to Kladske Raseliny OKFF-0086. The latest kilometers on very small climbing roads with a maximum speed of 50km. There were only a few kilometer distance between our two majorlocations and we decided at first to pass along OKFF-1102 and do the first activity from OKFF-0943, the nature-reserve Smradoch (word means "stinker").

The name comes from the smell like bad eggs which covers the area from the hydrogen sulfide coming out of the moss. The total area-size is 7,9 ha and there is a wooden way were you can walk through the inner-area. The distance to the nearby city of Marianske Lazne is just about 6 kilometer and it's reachable either by road or on several walking trails. When arriving there and bringing the trailer in position we're unloading equipment. While

Günther and Xaver mounted the higher antenna in the trees, I started to assemble my usual portable-equipment and started with the lower antenna directly at the parking-bay. Could use this time as shack the trailer, so with a bit more space than sitting on the backseat of the car. The first contact was at 0633 UTC with IV3NDR with good starting first 30 minutes. At 0655 the second station with Xaver DK4RM was ready to go. When checking before the tour, my personal feeling was, that this should be the better location but finally looking back now, seems that this QTH was bader. Not too many germans made it in the log compared with previous operations and also some feedback told that the signals were smaller than usual, anyway that we were high up at abt 800 meters asl but of corse extreme covered by vegetation. We made QRT when the interest was slowing down at 0857 UTC with altogether 373 contacts and RU6UR as last station in the log. Main operating frequencies were as usual 20 and 40 meters CW













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Günther DC2RK finally made this style of operation possible with his equipment

na a bit higher in the trees while I used my standard-setup and just needed to rearrange the equipment

back on the station-desk in the trailer.

So just 20 minutes after the end from the last activity we were back in the air with the new reference. Needed just one more spot in the cluster and the activity was rolling. The first contact from here was with YO7AOT. Both stations running either at 20/40 or sometimes 40cw+40ssb. This activity generated altogether 367 contacts.

About four years ago at 08.august 2010 we made the first ever activation from Slavkovsky Les OKFF-006 (meanwhile OKFF-0006). That time altogether 721 contacts were made. I was there additionally for two further activations and made alone meanwhile nearly 1000 contacts. However there are always stations who missed the earlier activities and thats also a problem with a lot of WWFF-activities. Often is only interest in new ones and lot of references remain with just one activation.

and SSB. Some smaller amounts were also done on 30/17 and 80 meters.

We decided to activate this one at first as in the morning there are not so many tourist and visitors there, so it was more effective as it's located directly on the road. After pulling down antennas and packing in a provisoric style we started the travel back to VIcek were we already came along in the morning. VIcek OKFF-1102 is a prereserved pinewood area at 883 meters above sea level and covers an area of about 62 ha. Location is on a sideway however fixed road leading on a plateau were there is enough space for antenna-setup and also to keep some distance between the two stations.

After the short trip back to the hill we arrived at Vlcek and there was nobody except us, so we could use the area on both sides. Repeating the game from the morning one more time Xaver and Günther mounted their anten-



Xaver DK4RM at the station in the camper











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Manfred DF6EX at the station in the trailer

time down the hill via Marianske Lazne and finally one hour later the adventure was over. Thanks to the participants and thanks to the callers. All contacts will be confirmed automatically via buro. You don't need to send a card your own, we don't collect QSL-cards.

If SWL-reports just send a mail to our clubstation-mail-address: da0cw@u23.de

and our QSL-manager DL7RAG will handle the report.

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All activities at:

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

When announcing this activity some people asked me if this could be realized to bring OKFF-0006 back. So at the end of the activity from OKFF-1102, I faded out from the team and Xaver DK4RM continued with one station from OKFF-1102. I made a short final activity starting from 1209 UTC till 1243 with my private call as OK/DF6EX/p. Could manage to get additionally 80 contacts from OKFF-0006 in the log. Some of the callers said thank you for the three new ones today. So we very happy to give out those counters.

So finally the grand total from all activities that day raised to 820 contacts. So far an acceptable result.

We moved back to Germany this

location in OKFF-1102









