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Last day of my holiday in July the weather still was pretty warm and well for another short trip. My xyl needed to work on Friday, so this time again an alone-trip for me.

As I would move my QTH in a few weeks it was also clear, that for a longer period this should be the last activity at all. Priorities will be a bit different then.

I was active just 3 kilometers away in April 16 from the Castle of Steinfels where I was checking also on the home-way alternative setup from DLFF-0304, because one year ago, when I was active together with my friend Karl DL4RU, conditions were very poor and maybe also coverage from the wood was too high. This time used directly the entrance of the nature reserve and put some longer cables on a small woodway/bikeway.

Friday afternoon was heavy traffic on the road so could start with the activity at 1357UTC with DL/HB9DRM as first station on 40 meters SSB.

Begin was a bit slow but after around 10 minutes it was running continuously.

In last years activity only a few Germans could catch the multiplier, this time 40 was wide open and also 42 Germans made it as number 1 country, followed by Italy with 39 contacts and then Poland with 36.

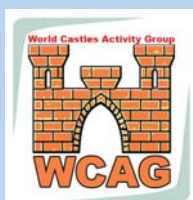
This time also several DX-stations from Canada, Japan, USA and others from Asia made it.

Altogether 33 countries have been worked.

Activity was on 2 bands only 40/20 meters SSB and CW.

Last year we already had covered all bands.

At around 1600 UTC was a bit losing the receiving possibilities as there started a heavy traffic on the nearby airfield and lot of helicopters were coming in and starting out, so anyway with the headset it was extremely difficult





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to understand the weaker calling stations. When more silence came back also the band was closing more, so tried a few minutes additionally but then decided to stop. Temperature meanwhile was also extreme high in the car and again not possible to open any window as the mitches and other insects would take care of you immediately. So at 1607 last contact was done with YL2CA then jumped out of the car and packed everything together for the homeway. 233 contacts could be done in total.

Thanks to all callers and listeners on the band.

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see you next time

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