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Nature Reserve Öberauer Donauschleife

DLFF-0347



*view into the area from seen from Donau*

*Öberauer Donauschleife with a size of around 300 ha is located close to the city of Straubing and is an important bread and resting-area for a large number of different bird species.*

Without any break, after the DLFF-0346 operation, we started directly to the new destination. The distance was not too high but of course we needed to find a suitable place.

The first attempt failed, as the way was protected but when coming closer to the Donau we found another entry along a landing stage into the area.

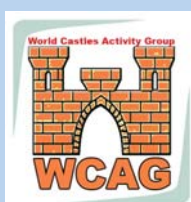
We set up the station around 0900 UTC, this time only antenna needed to be setup, as everything else already was prepared on the backseat.

At 0911 we were back on the air, using this time our second call DL/OK8WFF/p to indicate the people, that we are working from a different location. First station was OE3CFC in the log. As we were meanwhile close to midday of course this time it was much harder.

Signals from the closer distance came in very much lower and with a heavy amount of noises inbetween.

However of course we tried our best to give as many as possible a chance to get the multiplier. From here now 20 meters was much better and we could get around 80 stations on that band with some beautiful short skip signals as well. There were several times also german stations coming in with 59+ on that band.

We tried it also on both bands in CW but not so many stations came in, so favored slots again 20 and 40 meter SSB.





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entry to the area

In the first hour we had 147 contacts and then it was drying out more and more. 15minutes before the end we moved back to 20 and had there again a short opening.

At 1054 UTC we closed the station with EB4SM as latest contact. We reached 30 different countries with a total of 208 contacts in 1 3/4 hours operation-time.

This time italy was the country with the most contacts, 25%, followed by germany with 20% and poland with 10%. Of course this makes also the major difference between the two activities. As the propagation to 2 of the normal leading countries was much bader it declares the difference but any-

way, total result was absolutely ok. Lot of the stations could get 2 new ones that day. We finally left the area and made a short stop at the landing-bay on the side-arm of the Donau with a beautiful view into Straubing to the one side and in the nature-reserve to the other. Then we started for the homeway which took about 2 hours, coming also along on the beautiful castle of Thierlstein, but anyway voice was gone and too tired so, just viewed it from distance and moved back home. Thanks for the contacts and cuagn.

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