

DR1ØWCA - DAØWCA

15.06.2019

Nature Reserve Schlossberg Flossenbürg DLFF-0558

WCA DL-02338 - GMA DA/BM-250





Manfred DF6EX on the first station under the main-castle

Beside of the the 40th years anniversary of our local radio-club Ortsverband Stiftland (founded at 03.november 1979) also the 10year anniversary of World Castle Award brought us to the special callsign DR1ØWCA. We were not able to take part a complete month on the world-castleweekend 2019, however we tried our best to show activity. The highlight in june was the reactivation from a relative new DLFF-area which is surrounding the castle ruin of Flossenbürg.

Same procedure like last year. A bit more than one year after our initial-activity from DLFF-0558 we tried to discover the hill again. Of course we were not sure if the interest would be high, because in 2018 we already made around 250 contacts from here, so most of hardcore WW-

FF-collectors should have been satisfied.



However with the steady growing community of castle hunter we were optimistic that also our special call can generate enough interest.

For the begin we started this time as two man show, claiming the hill with our two trolley full packed with a lot of gear. 40 minutes later we were up and had both stations assembled and started with the activity. As propagations becomes more difficult this time we extended our appearance on more different band and mode-slots. Be-

side the usual big activities on 20

and 40 we were also active on 80/30 and 17 meters. Of course we extended our stay also in the length, to give more stations also a chance in the short-termed appearing shortskip windows on 20 meters.

Also in the later window of our activity we had a good opening on 40 meter to the short distance areas, which were almost closed during the start.

Beside our special-call DR1ØWCA also a limited time we were active under our second castlecall DAØWCA.

Later in the morning also Josef DL6JOS arrived on our location and continued with us also doing some nice pictures from there.



Konrad DH6RAE on the second station directly behind the entry











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entry into the main-castle area

spotted us in the cluster. The uploads into the international databases are done. The printed QSL-card with the special DOK WCA 10 will follow later this year.

QSL-cards are meanwhile printed but we want to make it in a most economic way and combine as much activities as possible on one card.

So don't worry you will get it 100% via buro.



Altogether 129 CW-contacts were made however again interest in CW was much lower then in SSB.

We reached 39 countries with the leading countries of

- 1. italy with 89 contacts,
- 2. germany with 72 contacts
- 3. poland with 51 contacts
- 4. france with 47 contacts.

Our total QSO number were 511 contacts with 484 unique callsigns.

So altogether a very satisfying result.

Many thanks to all stations which were giving us a call and also those who



Konrad DH6RAE and Josef DL6JOS

73, 44, 11, see you next time Manfred DF6EX

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