

18.05.2020 DQ11WCA

Naturepark Fichtelgebirge DLFF-0058 Hammerschloss Leupoldsdorf DL-04935 FBN-389





Castle Leupoldsdorf exists since the 14th century and was part of a hammer mill. In 30years war it was widely destroyed and was finally active until the 19th century. The facility was closed and since1917 the building is in private ownership and currently used as public house.

Just after QRL started rapidly into the Fichtelgebirge. With our new special-call DQ11WCA was this time QRV in the near of the small village Leupoldsdorf.

Last activities before the lockdown had no good conditions on short distance so wanted to check the current situation. Weather was beautiful with around 22 degrees so not too warm in the mobileshack and super skyline from the Fichtelgebirge in the background.

Antenna this time was a SOTA-dipole for three

bands. Had some job sites on tour, so finally arrived 30 minutes later than expected and started at 1428 UTC with IK2JYT. This time at last good propagation to germany, austria, switzerland and as usual good conditions to poland and italy. Later when moving to 20 meters SSB had an extremely loud short-skop opening there to DL/ON/PA but that lasted only a few minutes. The total mode-split of the 240 contacts with 227 unique stations was 165 contacts in SSB and 75 contacts in CW. Reached finally 30 different countries with the biggest number of contacts with germany (82) fol-



lowed by italy (29) and poland (19). We will show more activity with that call espeduring World cially Castle Weekend in june. Cu next time as DAØCW/p, DAØWCA, DQ11WCA or OK8WFF/p 73, 44, 11

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