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Doost DLFF-0696





One week after our successful DLFF-0697 activity we were on the road again. This time selected the nature-reserve Doost, located near the city of Floß.

It's a valley with a size of 11ha and a lot of boulders inside. The name comes from the roaring of the water through the stones, which means "tosen" which leaded to the commonly used name "Doost".

Starting time as usual which brought us to the entrance of the area around 0615 UTC.

The packing on the trolleys, walking inside and selecting a location with the setup of antenna and rig took another 45 minutes















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so in the air at almost exactly 0700 UTC. The first hour of operation as usual the best one with 202 contacts.

We soon detected that the conditons were not as good as the week before. Additionally our location surrounding covered by wood and inside the valley.

This was also the only place where we got enough distance between the two transmitter to avoid distortions.

One station again was on 20 meters only. With the second one we moved between the bands however most effective was there 40 and 30 meters.

Coming closer to midday conditions were always bader and the score was going down.

In the first hours we were almost totally alone in the area, The first visitor which arrived there was our club-member Karl DL4RU who gave us a visit and picked up his QSLcards, so club-meeting in the green.

Later a lot of hiker and biker populated the area. Lot of them of course with question what we are doing and what















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are the reachable distances, so had quite a few interesting talks with visitors lot of them were mainly impressed that we still use telegraphy in 2020.

When the conditions dropped down almost totally we stopped the operation, sun was meanwhile high in the zenith and also the temperatures.

We ended with a total score of 617 contacts.

102 in telegraphy, 515 in phone.

41 countries could be reached with 140 contacts to germany, followed by 92 with italy and 74 with poland.



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