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## Nature Reserve Schießlweiher bei Schwarzenbach DLFF-0725





Nature Reserve Schießlweiher with a size of almost 28ha is part of a series of ponds which were used to stabilize the waterflow for hammer-mills in earlier time in that area. Rare types of plants are growing there.

Schießlweiher is about 8km away from the city of Grafenwöhr. In the last week of june the announced weather forecast often didn't reach the reality. So waited for tuesday, 30 in the morning and hoped that it wouldn't be too hot, however hopefully also no rain.

All the gear was prepared in the car around dinner-time and the plan was to start directly after work. At the activity from "Gscheibte Loh" some weeks ago, I was already there to check for a suitable location. The pond is on a huge parking array on the B470 and should be easy to set up.

Right in time left the work at 1330 UTC. Via the fast track A93 via Weiden it took a bit more than 35 minutes to reach the destination. Sky was meanwhile getting a bit darker and I wasn't sure that weather would hold until the end. In the later afternoon the array is filling more and more with truck-drivers from different nations who make their night-brake on that location.

At the second half of the array found a good place directly on the water which hopefully would be also good for HF. As antenna a three band dipole for 40/30/20 was used in eight meters height, plus a vertical dipole for 20 meters. After the quick setup and also the arrangement of the shack in the car we were in the air at 1428 UTC with the first contact with PE1FEI in the log. To loose not too much time I mainly concentrated on 40 and 20 meters with CW and SSB on both bands.













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Compared with our latest activity from Plattengipfel, this time the propagations were much better.

Still after 30 minutes the first 76 contacts were in the log.

This time also closer distance contacts were possible which brought also a lot of germans, austrians and czech hams in the log. CW on the backseat is not so comfor-

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table but if interest in phone is getting lower, always telegraphy helps to get some more interested stations.

Altogether 35 countries could be worked. Top-country was germany with 94 contacts followed by italy (38) and poland (35). The following countries france, spain, england belgium, netherlands, ukraine, croationa, finland hungary and austria were almost on the same level. Also contacts with USA, Japan, Israel and some stations from siberia made it into the log with a grand total of 336 contacts in exactly three hours of working time.

89 out of them in CW and 247 in SSB.

Great fun to get you into the log and hope to catch you from another spot.

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