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On Whit Monday after a short look out of the window and a quick view to the weather forecast, which showed only a rain-possibility of 50 % (days before we were mostly around 90 %) packed the equipment very quick and started to Föhrenbühl nature-reserve.

I was there already three times before and selected there various working positions but this time used the same like in the previous year.

The hope was to get again some short-skip in the log. Last activities in this month saw a good trend in the conditions.

Operating position was limited from the space, as there is a small road going along for the farmers.

So used this time again my 3band windom antenna.

Start of the operation was at 0746 UTC with ON4CB as first station on 80 meters.

this band. So soon moved to my favorite-band 40 meters and after some attempts to find a more or less good frequency landed there at 7.135. After the first spot appeared it started like a hell. The pile-up was tremendous.

Sometimes also difficult to get the stations a bit under control but finally a really enjoyable run for about 1,5 hours.

The total of 40 meters contacts that day were



The number of stations was not too high on



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251. After that moved to 20 and found there in the CW-portion also a nice but small pileup in CW before moved upward to 14.242, where I was busy for the next hour. Extreme loud signals from DL, SP, ON and PA like local stations, absolute fantastic.

140 stations made it on 20 meters. Had one time a small technical issue where transceiver and tuner decided to stop, the antenna cable seemed to be tired after 250 portable-operations.

Some friendly guys kept my frequency clear so could continue after 3 minutes break, thanks.



In total 397 contacts were done in 3 hours operating time with 372 unique stations. Worked 31 different DXCC-countries.

The mode-split this time 343 SSB contacts compared with 54 CW-QSOs.

According to the good shortskip conditions this time the top-scoring countries were

1. Germany (136)
2. Italy (44)
3. Netherlands (37)
4. Belgium (32)
5. Poland (30)

Thank you all for calling and spotting. Was a pleasure to meet you.

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