



26.03.2021  
DQ11WCA - DAØCW/p

Eger- und Röslautal - Castle Hohenberg  
DLFF-0805 - DL-03142



The Natura 2000-area Eger und Röslautal is winding between the cities of Weissenstadt and Brand in upper Franconia, along those two rivers. Near the city of Hohenberg the Röslau ends into the river Eger on Czech side. My location was about 200 meters away from the Czech border,

closed to that point which is also on Czech-side a nature-reserve (Rathsam OKFF-0895). The trip was selected for Friday-afternoon as the whole weekend the bands were estimated to be full with the WPX-contest. So just after the QRL started with the trip for a planned time of around 2 hours activity, as darkness sometimes appears very quick.

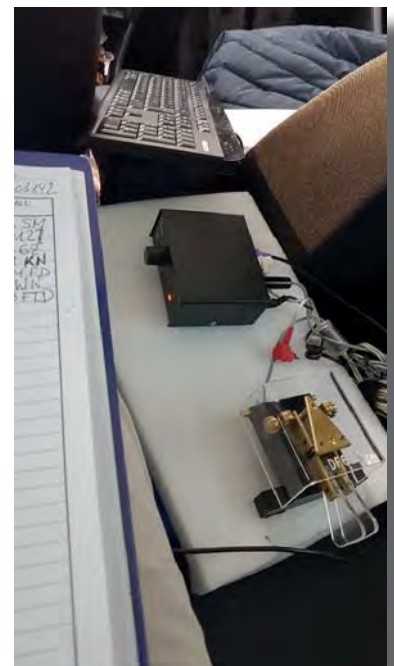
Was also the day before active from a nearby castle to test equipment and see if everything is complete.

Conditions in the closer areas however still very bad. Also from the different bands, 20 meters was in bad shape, only a few stations there made it into the log.

One day ago had extreme loud noises in the SSB-part of 40 meters with a strong distortion sounding like the former woodpecker between 7.120 and 7.150. This day had more luck. There were still some noises but much weaker so started at 7.148 in phone and could defend this frequency a very long time.

So a good opening with 60 stations in the first 30 minutes. The location was also in qualifying distance to the Castle Hohenberg DL-03142 behind the trees and the nearby spring „Carolinquelle“ where a bike- and walking-trail leads along.

Under current Corona-situation of course try to avoid contacts wherever possible so had on my place just two farmers (on distance) who wanted to know what the reason for the wire in the meadows and then quickly disappeared to do some reparations on the opposite road-side.



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After a long run in phone turned again on the other bands with not too much success so finally ended again on 40 meters, this time in telegraphy. Also there a high demand.

At 1650 UTC I closed down the station. Used a FT450 with 100 watts into a dipole about six meters up. Powered from a lifepo-battery with 40AH. Battery was still above 13V at the end.



289 contacts into 34 different countries could be done. Top-countries were 1. italy 48 contacts, 2. germany (29), 3. poland (26), 4. england (21) followed by ukraine, finland and belgium. Thanks for calling in and cu soon on the bands, stay healthy.



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