



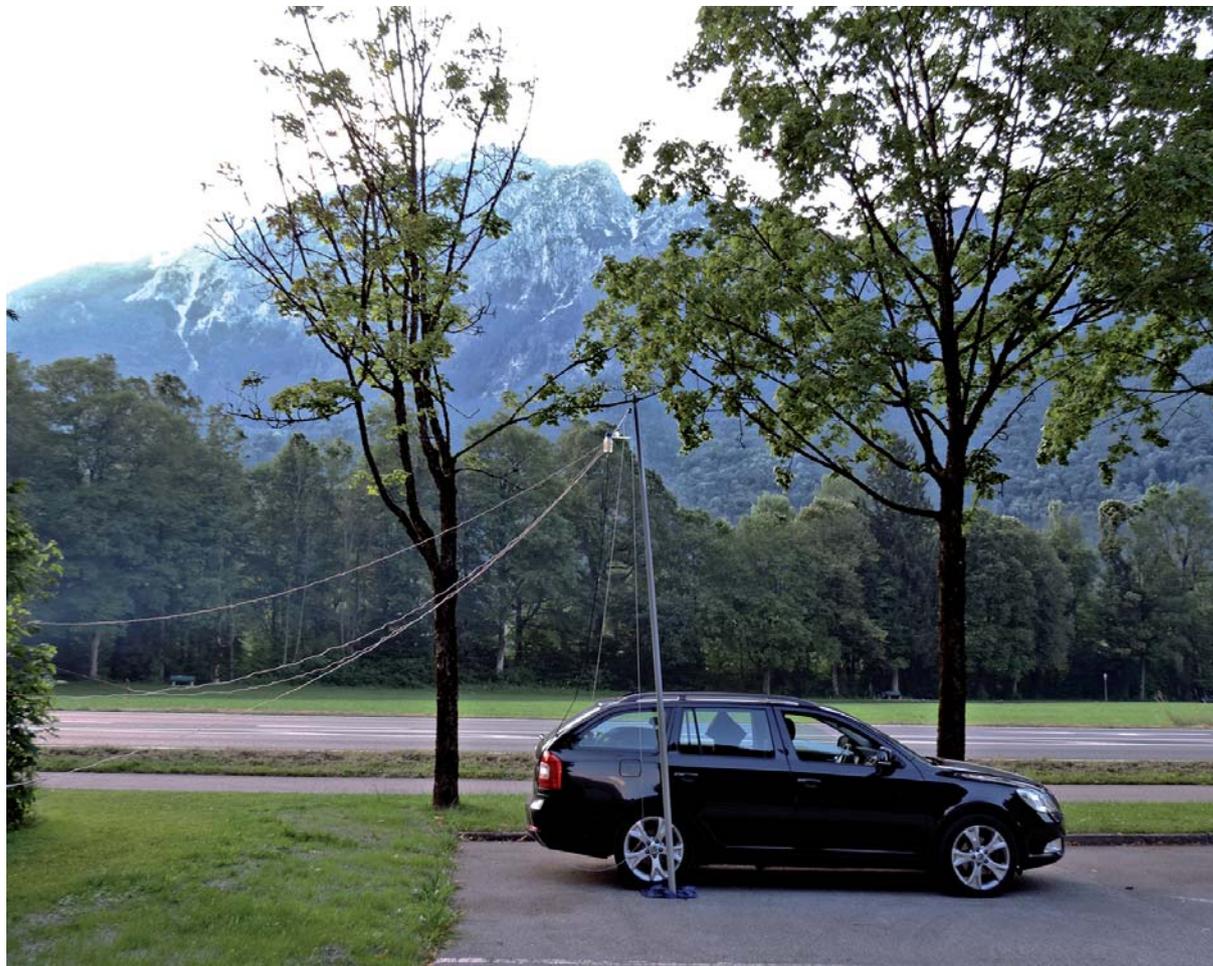
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Biosphere-Reserve Berchtesgadener Land



*The Biosphere Reserve Berchtesgadener Land was accepted by Unesco in 1990 and covers an area of 84000 ha. It includes also the area of Berchtesgaden National-Park DLFF-ØØ2 but according to the german rules only the area which is not covered by National-Park counts as DLFF-Ø23. It is the only alpine biosphere in germany with an elevation up to 2700 meters asl. The history started in 1974 with the nature-reserve Königssee, then was extended to the whole county of Berchtesgaden and in 2010 to the whole county Berchtesgadener Land with about 10 bigger towns and their surrounding areas included.*

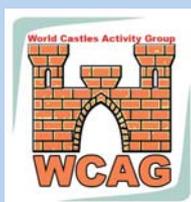
Time had come for the first few sommer holidays 2013. Our plan was again to go into the alps but at first a bit more on the western-side of germany/austria. Just a few days before our start we changed the direction to eastern area around Berchtesgaden. After checking the last days before the start found out that the



QRV from parking-array on Rupertus-Therme in Bad Reichenhall

planned area would be interesting for five different WWFF-areas. First of all put the idea in the trash because in the time-frame not realistic. Of course we wanted to take the equipment with us and see what happens. So short-termed it´s not so easy to get a hotel-room at all in this area, as this is one of the most frequented holiday-regions in whole germany. So checked at first around the Thumsee (would

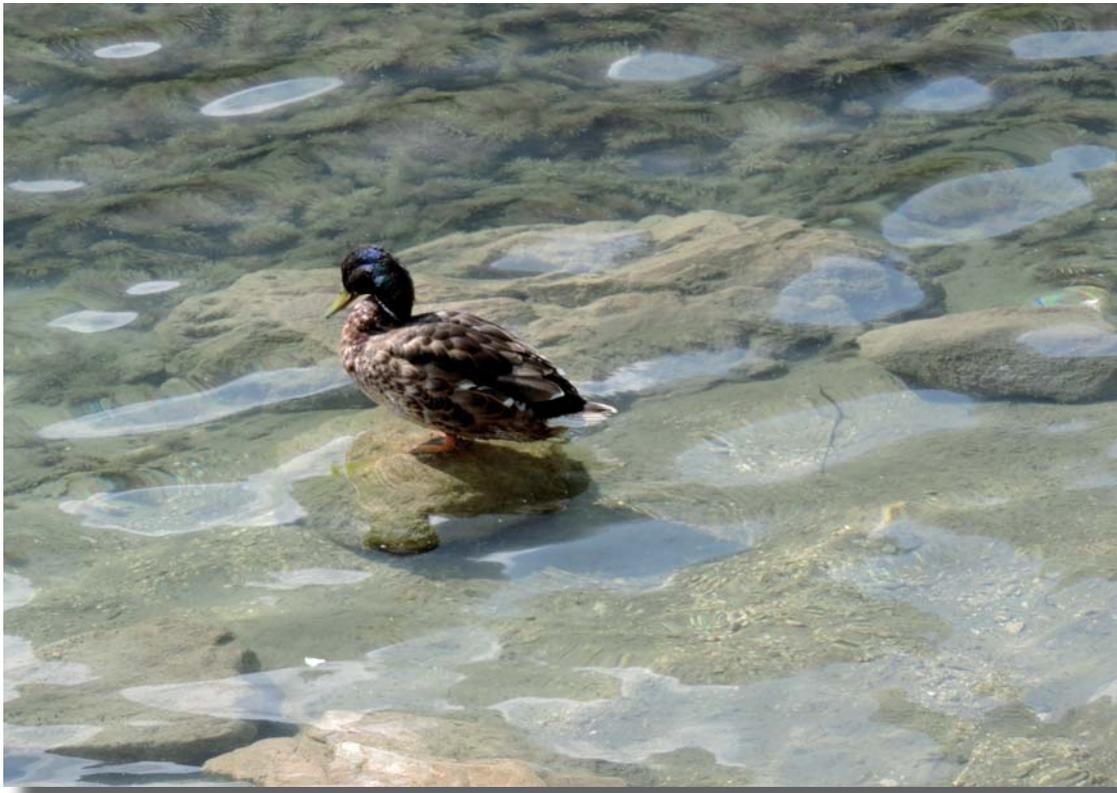
be not too far away from DLFF-208, but with the selected hotels we had no luck. So concentrated more in the area around Bad Reichenhall and found there a hotel-room for the wanted period in Bayerisch Gmain, just 5 km away from austria and not too far away from OEFF-209. When starting in the morning of july 10, we didn´t expect to have a nightmare on the road but it definitely was. After several traffic-holdups before Regensburg,





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Duck at Lake Königssee prefers dry feet

a very heavy appeared with a length of 10 km. Also leaving the fast-track was not so optimal but we were on tour again. 5,5 hours later we arrived in Berchtesgaden at Lake Königssee and met my xyls sister and her husband for dinner. After spending the afternoon there with walks through the area and visiting the beautiful scenery there, we left in the early evening to our hotel about 16km away. After unpacking and preparing we started in the town of Bad Reichenhall just 1 km away. It was definitely too late to start with

any bigger event so we decided to stay just there in the town which lies inside of the biospere and used the large park-array from the swimming-area of the Rupertus-Therme. Trees were enough available for fixing the wires so we needed just 10 minutes to be QRV. I often wondered why just 0,25 percent of the active-hunters have this park confirmed as the big number of large cities inside should bring it down rapidly but seems that none of the hams living there, is interested in WWFF. So the pile-up was very intensive at the beginning on 40 meters. With Xaver DK4RM from my home-radio-club and Friedrich DL4BBH my co-WWFF-committee-member started directly with well-known stations. Really a lot of callers were thankful about the new multiplier. After changing to 20 meters there was also a good short-skip also with some german stations, moving later to 20 cw again there were some DLs calling with excellent 599 signals. Altogether 158 stations could be worked in 1,5 hours of activity.

Our accomodation in Bayerisch Gmain was the Hotel Sonnenhof (<http://www.sonnenhof-bayern.de>) which givesyoutheopportunityto reach5WWFFsinamaximumdistanceof35kilometers. (Therearemorealsobuthad notenoughtimetodoresearchfor). Theroomwasverysilentandyouareclose toabigtownbutrightinthenature. Logs will be put in the online-database:

<http://logsearch.wwff.co>

All reports from previous activites can be found at:

<http://www.qrz.com/db/da0cw>

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