



DR11COTA 15.june 2013 DLFF-097
Nature-Park Oberer Bayerischer Wald
Castle of Schwarzenburg DL-02819 BOB-028



The Castle of Schwarzenburg was built in the 11th century fortified in the 15th century. The Schwarzenburgers were the sovereign in the Schwarzach-valley, which was crossed by an important road leading to bohemia



which was an important trading-line that time. In the 17th century during the 30years war most parts of the castle were destroyed. The remaining rests were used as stone pit.

Castle of Schwarzenburg

The last owner was the most

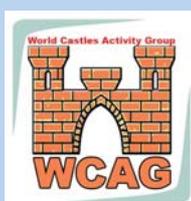
famous. The „wild Heinz“ from Guttenstein. He is also part of a saga and background of one of the todays played theaters „The Guttensteiner“. The outer baily today mostly is used as an open-air tribune for the „Schwarzenberg Festspiele“ were several theaters and fairytales are presented during the months of june till august. More infos at the link: <http://www.schwarzenburg-festspiele.de>

The location is on a hill near the town of RötZ at about 700 meters asl.

After the castle-activations during the german castle day at may 01, which was more from the castles in the closer environment, we planned for the World-Castle-Weekend an activation from two castles in two different WWFF-areas but in a bit bigger distance.

We choosed the upper area from the bavarian wood. So first activation should happen from nature-park DLFF-097.

When planning this trip with my xyl the expectations were a bit different. I never was on that location and thought at first that it will be possible to drive higher on the hill. When arriving in the morning we first checked the closer environment around the castle but everywhere on the possible roads it was totally surrounded by wood. So higher but definitely not good for RF. After touring around all possibilities we decided to drive down and search a location on a lower level under the castle. A small parking-bay then finally was selected with the hill in the back direction to north. Not optimum but finally we needed to start be-





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Manfred DF6EX and Toni DL6RBO, ham-meeting under the castle

living in Neunburg also in the near of a castle DL-03803. I met him on the bands during german castle-day and he was the last station before my power dropped out. So we never met personally before however he detected the antenna beside the road and wanted to have a look what happens there. If you make a schedule you can not make it better, hi. At the final-end of the operation had a short opening also on 20 meters were also W1OW and VO1SA made it into the castle-log. So finally around 140 stations made it into the morning log from DR11COTA. In the afternoon the call was activated by DL5AWI from another castle. So we packed everything to move to the next castle which should be activated under DA0CW/p.

<http://logsearch.wwff.co>

<http://www.wcagroup.org>

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All reports from previous activites can be found at:

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

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fore conditions went down more.

Nearly one hour delayed we started around 0800 UTC when Axel DL1EBR called me as first station and spotted directly in the cluster. So the begin was done but not so good than expected. Conditions were not so good this day. Several attempts on 20 meters resulted only in a few contacts, so main-band in the morning was 40 meters. Just 30 minutes over and it was slowing down on 40. Then a car crossed along and returned. To my biggest surprise the driver was Toni DL6RBO. Toni is a resident in DLFF-098 and

