



DR1ØWCA 10.01.2020

Naturepark Fichtelgebirge DLFF-0058

Schloss Röthenbach DL-03143



Castle Röthenbach in DLFF-0058

Our beautiful licence of DR10WCA expired at 10.january. Time was quite limited the days before so planned to do a final-end-activity on the last day. Location could be not too far away as I wasn't able to leave QRL too early. So finally decided for Castle Röthenbach, I was there already in may2019, however did also some antenna-tests so the output of contacts was not so high then. So took until 1352 before I was in the air and operation couldn't be too

long due to the announced bad weather and also quick starting darkness in the afternoon. Just after setup it started with a bit rainfall. So I didn't made any attempt in CW as I wanted to use the remaining time as good as possible. 20 meters was absolutely down, so gave up there, also 80 was nothing, so concentrated on 40meters SSB and had there a terrific pile-up.

Sometimes 5 stations in a minute made the cool temperature acceptable. It had sometimes up to 7 degrees however the constantly blowing wind and the rainfall made the feeling of that temperature much colder. Altogether in 75 minutes of operation 147 stations could be worked.

As activity mainly happened on 40 this time also only 27 countries could be reached. Top 3 countries were italy with 28, followed by germany (24) and belgium (14), close behind then on the same level poland, france and spain.

It was a very interesting year with that nice callsign. Thanks to all callers, listeners and spotters who helped to realize a good output-score. Wrap-up from the whole activity will follow.

Cu next time as DAØCW/p or DAØWCA or OK8WFF/p  
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