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NSG Gscheibte Loh DLFF-0304



location at the entrance of the area

*Nature Wood Reserve Gscheibte Loh with a size of about 109 ha is located between Weiden and Grafenwöhr in north-east-bavaria. Between 1947 and 1953 there was turf dismantled before in the early 80s the drainage channels were closed and the area was renaturalized. The name Loh comes from the typical description of such wet flat areas called „Lohen“.*

On may 29th started after work the trip into the area. I was there last time in 2016 and weather forecast was well, not too warm but sunny and hopefully no rain.

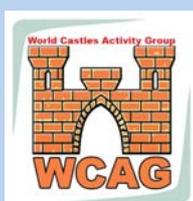
After the quick setup 15minutes later appeared on the air on 40 meters at 1247 UTC with the first contact with DF8AB in the log. Compared with the latest activities this time condidions were much bader.

Used again a three band dipole in about 6 meters height. Transceiver FT450 powered by a lifepo-battery with 42Ah worked well and 100 watt full power were guaranteed. A second battery for spare was usually on board. Solar-panel this time made no sense, because covered by a lot of trees around.

The start was stagnant, not too many stations at all and it took around 30 minutes before conditions slowly but steady started to improve.

Main-activity was again on 40 meters. After the long run in phone I tried also other bands, but 30 meters was nearly nothing, 20 meters there was no interest in phone, later in CW had a good but short run, so finally jumped also in the second half of the operation period between 40 CW and SSB.

The total length of the operation was around 2,5 hours. Sometimes for minutes no station





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answering at all, but then again busy for a few minutes.

In total

231 contacts with 31 countries could be done.

62 out of them in CW.

Top scoring countries were germany with 66 contacts, followed by poland (30) and italy (29).

Of course also the usual questions from visitors were correctly answered with:

„no we are not working for any secret organization, we just enjoy the beautiful nature and talking with colleague and friends in other countries“ :-)

After dismantling and packing selected for the home-trip another route, to have a look on two other possible FF-areas and to check if there would be activity possible at all.

One of them doesn't suite however the second one is very promising and should be possible without bigger problems to bring into the air.

So thank you for calling in.

Cu next time

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