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view into the block-fall from the top of the hill

After our mountain-trip in last year to DLFF-0614 we were ready for the next one. NSG Plattengipfel on a height of 895 meters asl

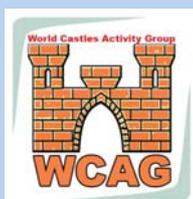
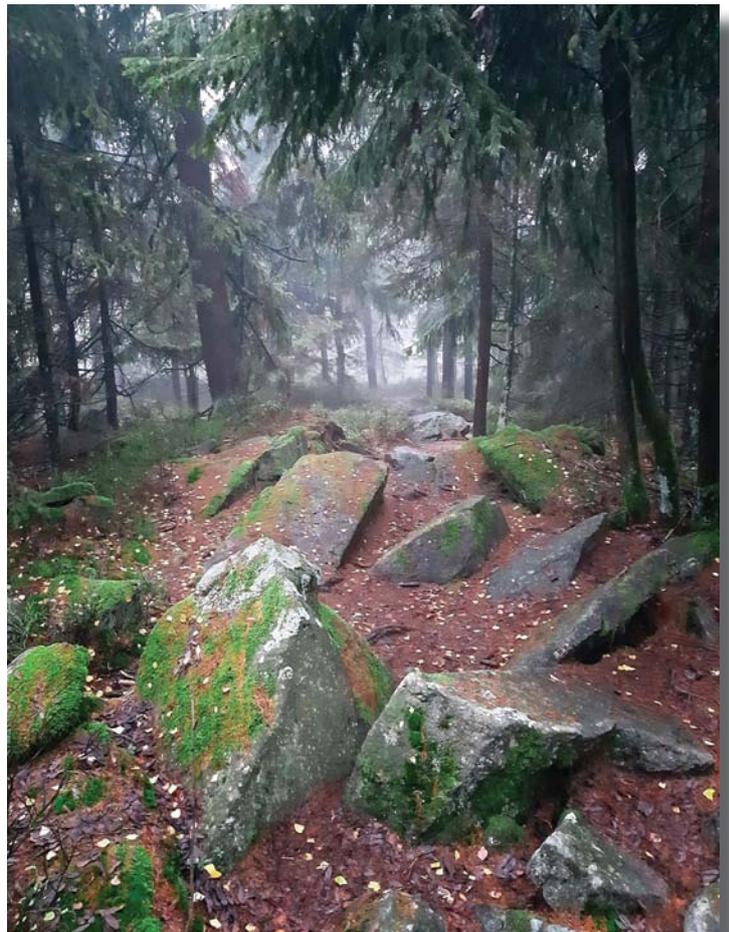
The top-point of the hill is covered by a large heap of granite. The block-fall is a valuable geotop. The road upwards on the first view is not too difficult with a total distance of around 2,6 km. However when you look a bit closer there are especially the last 600 meters a nightmare.

The first two kilometer on a steady upward but acceptable wood-trail. Then the latest piece awaited us like the picture on the right side shows.

Granite-blocks sometimes more than 0,5 meters high were you had problems to walk by foot alone, however with the luggage still a bit more difficult.

Beside this a lot of people claiming up or down sometimes with bikes, sometimes with dogs, so top seemed to be high populated.

On the first point in the nature-reserve there is almost no space to build up station or antenna so it's a must to go up to the highest point of the hill, only there is a





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small plateau with enough space on it.

We selected friday afternoon for the trip with the hope that maybe 10 meter or 15 meter will open. As equipment we took a QRP-transceiver with 15 watts and a standard transceiver with 100 watts with us, everything powered out of a 20Ah and



Felix DO5DKW and Manfred DF6EX still happy, because they have not arrived the final 600 meters until now



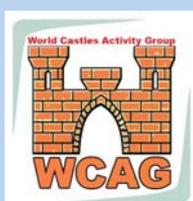
a 40AH .ifepo-battery. Antennas were simple dipoles where it was heavy enough to find a space for them. When we arrived the critical point of the last 600

meters we quickly found out that driving with the trolley will not be possible. So most of the final period we had to handcarry the equipment and also this was extreme difficult, as there were high granites followed by deep holes were you had to keep the next step very secret and additionally a lot of people coming down from the hill on the small path, so you often had to make brakes and going aside to keep the secret distance under the current situation.

Finally we reached the top and located for a suitable location. There are some bench on the higher plateau but all of them covered by trees so not so well for the antennas. Had to use two very small areas where no path was going along and pull the wires into that directions with low vegetation and no security problem for the surrounding visitors. With huge delay we started at



Felix on top of the mountain





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1354UTC with the first attempt on 40 meters. Quickly found out that Murphy this day was not with us. Also the usually most efficient band was not in good shape. Short distance was often not possible. Several checks on 10 and 15 meters were also not successful. So most activity was done on 20 and 40 meters, sometimes in CW.

At first surprise Felix's girlfriend Tanja gave us a visit, later Josef DL-6JOS and Tobias DL2TOB appeared on the plateau and they made also some 2meter contacts from there. They did a joke and setup a little



compact station-setup

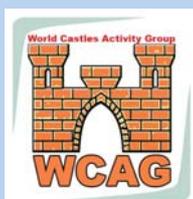
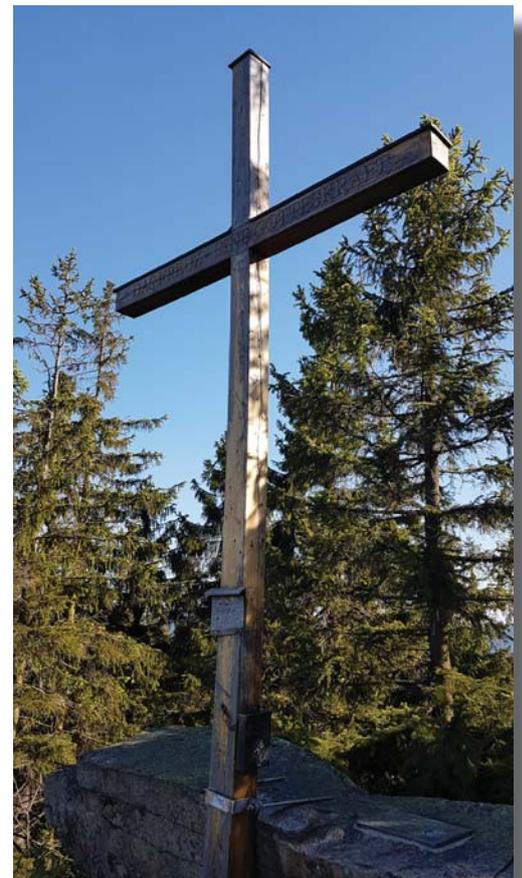


Josef DL6JOS and Tobias DL2TOB

station and called us during their uplift with a KX3 and 2x 4m wire in the trees. So we didn't know from where they calling and were very surprised when they arrived at our location 15 minutes later.

Our activity finally lasted until 1612 UTC when we started with the disassembly of the stations. The total QSO-number was a bit under 160 contacts. We reached altogether 30 countries with ODX into USA.

Number 1 country this time was Italy with 29 contacts followed by





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germany with 25 and france and poland both with 15 contacts.

At 1630 we started on the first 600 criminal meters of the way down. With the help from Josef and Tobias we carried all the stuff via the stoney way.



After finishing this difficult part, we left in

two different positions as they were using another parking range on the foot of the hill. Together with Felix went the last 2 kilometers down to the Silberhaus parking-array which we arrived at around 1800 UTC. So a long and adventourous day. Thanks to all for the participation and of course to all callers and listeners.

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