

Dear friends of the 2m band

DR2X has completed its first VHF contest activity for the 2024 season. As there were only four of us on site for setting up on Saturday, the usual 2×17 element group on the 12m mast could not be installed. Instead, a 2×8 elements (28 Ohm DK7ZB design) system were erected on the radio bus, which has an extendable FLAMMEX PULL mast. Also, only half of the four star antennas (north and east direction) were used. So at the end only five of seven antenna systems were available this time.

What was the weather like? It rained on Sunday night. At the same time it was stormy, so that the author of these lines had a restless night for sleeping in the tent, as it made very loud wind noises. Fortunately, however, there were dry conditions during assembly and dismantling.

Only average radio conditions, and therefore no DX over 1000 km and more. In addition, only very little activity from the UK, as there was contesting only on 70 cm and up. Even DAOFF did not get more than 1000 QSOs. In the end, our result was almost identical to the May 2023 contest.

Thank you for the Points and best 73

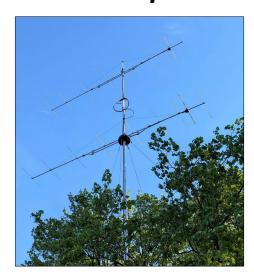


From left to right:
Glyn **DJ0WW**, Eugen **DL3ZAL**, Eberhard **DG7NCY**, Dirk **DK7CM**, Jörg **DL6ZBN**, Michael **DF2FA**, Nino **DL3IAS**Not on the photo: Georg **DL2KP** (visited us on Saturday evening)

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Some Impressions













THE EQUIPMENT

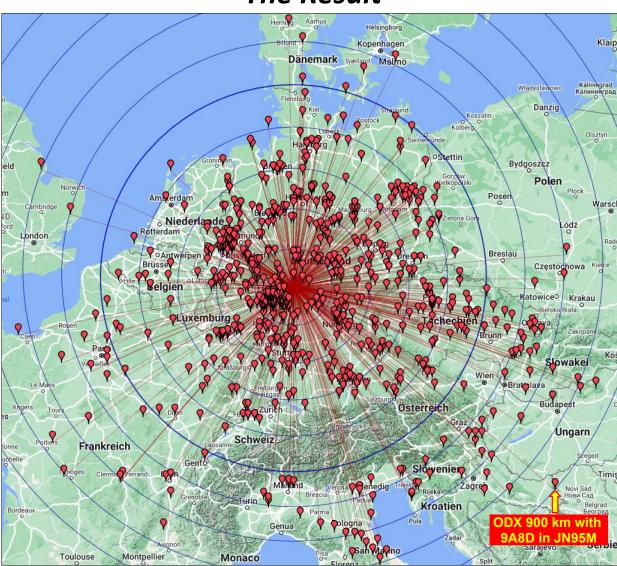
- Elecraft K3s Transceiver
- Kuhne transverter TR144H+40 with 14 MHz IF
- BEKO power amplifier 750 Watt out
- Additional crystal filter for the 14 MHz IF (built by DA0FF)
- 403A Headset NC-1
- Schurr CW paddel
- Logging programm WinTest





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The Result



DR2X - JO40QL					
1	9A		Croatia	9	
2	DL		Deutschland	520	
3	F		France	44	
4	G	+	England	2	
5	НА		Hungary	6	
6	HB9	+	Switzerland	9	
7	I		Italy	27	
8	OE		Austria	17	
9	OK		Czech Rep.	58	
10	OM	0	Slovakia	12	
11	ON		Belgium	8	
12	ΟZ	+	Denmark	5	
13	PΑ		Netherlands	9	
14	S5	-	Slovenia	7	
15	SM	+	Sweden	1	
16	SP		Poland	5	

Ergebnis						?×
BAND	QSO	DUP	LOC	POINTS	AVG PTS	AVG DIS
144	739	0	89	215204	291.2	291.2
TOTAL	739	0	89	215204	291.2	291.2
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IN99	JN05	JN06	JN07	JN08	JN09	JN15	JN17	JN18	JN19
JN24	JN25	JN27	JN28	JN29	JN36	JN37	JN38	JN39	JN44
JN45	JN47	JN48	JN49	JN53	JN54	JN55	JN57	JN58	JN59
JN63	JN64	JN65	JN67	JN68	JN69	JN75	JN76	JN77	JN78
JN79	JN85	JN86	JN87	JN88	JN89	JN95	JN97	JN98	JN99
J002	J003	J010	J011	J020	J021	J022	J023	J030	J031
J032	J033	J040	J041	J042	J043	J044	J045	J046	J050
J051	J052	J053	J054	J055	J060	J061	J062	J063	J064
J065	J070	J071	J072	J073	J080	J090	J091	KN08	

Photo to the right:

Due to family business, our highly esteemed DR2X colleague Matthias **DL8DAU** was unfortunately unable to join us on site this time.

But he gave us points on Sunday morning from a distance of 195 km (Locator 1031MK near Essen)

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