

MORE ABOUT LOCATIONS

GOLICA-ŽELEZNIKI



Everybody, who is familiar with the Selska Valley, know that town of Zelezniki is very poor ham radio location. Therefore four of us, most active members of S59DKN club, decided to put a contest location at Golica mountain at 820 m asl.

In year and half we have put 1000 ft. of power cable and 750 ft. of earthing strip into the ground and built two towers (22m and 13m respectively). We have also put in place an old army container for shack. We have worked phisiccaly enormous number of hours and invest all our money. On higher tower we have 2 el. Yagi for 40m, 4 el. Yagi for 20m and 5 el. Yagi for 15m. The lower one is carrying just one 5 el. Yagi for 10m.

Location lies in pleasant surroundings and is accesible by car at any time. Cows on pasture around the shack usually prevent possible loneliness.



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S52DG Dušan MOHORIČ

Tomaž Gortner
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POLICA



My first call sign was obtained in 1982 as YU3JZ. Started with IC 730 and 2 el. quad. Later I added dipols for low bands and quad elements for WARC bands. Location was in the center of town Grosuplje close to Ljubljana.

In fall of 1994 I leased a location on Polica, 5 km out of town. It lies on 480m asl. It is »open« to all directions. There is a small cottage on the spot. It has no power and other facilities. For mains I use 5 kW diesel generator. Two towers and few poles are built. On first tower is 5 el. Yagi for 15m and 4 el. Yagi for 20m with different low band dipoles hanging below. The other tower carries 5 el. Yagi for 10m and 2 el. beam for 40m. Location is more and more crowded lately with new constructions around the place. So, local QRM comes on from time to time. On the other side power line is coming closer.

In the contests I achieved some top Eu spots and number of top ten places. I have 5B WAZ, 5B DXCC with 17 and 12m additions. I have am also member of DXCC Honor roll (339/336). The only missing is P5. On my wall hangs also WPX Award of Excellence with 160m sticker.



Črvek Janez, S57J



MALIČ

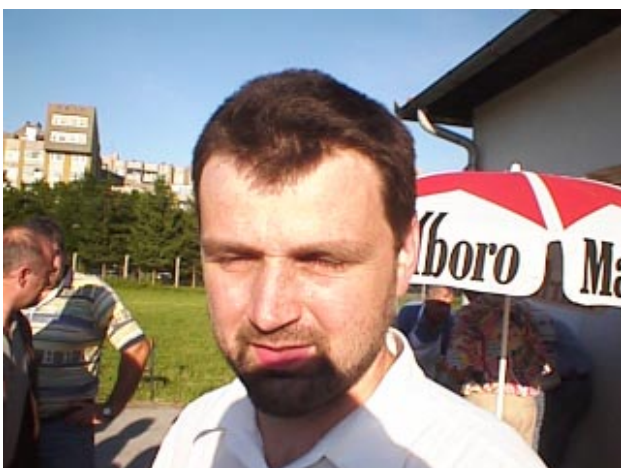
Radioclub LAŠKO, S59GCD was found in 1949. Call sign is active from 1955. At the present time there is 80 members in our club. More than half of members is active in club activities. Close hill MALIČ (935m asl) is used for contest purposes from time to time. There are a number of transmitters (FM, cellular and others) on the top of the hill. Our club is using a cottage with 12m high antenna mast.

The host of WRTC in this location will be Andrej Bolčina S52LO who is one of the most active club member. His amateur radio career began in 1977. Picture shows him at VHF/SHF contest in May 2000.



S52LO
Andrej Bolčina

ARTVIZE



S57RA PAVEL REBERC

I am primarily active on VHF and microwaves. Specialities are constructions and EME on 70 cm. Location on ARTVIZE hill gives an opportunity to operate to my friends who have no access to high mountains and who are living in neighbourhood. The ARTVIZE village is nice place on the top of BRKINI region (817m asl) with kind residents and beautiful view to all directions with Slovenian coast as well.

JAVORNIK

Veliki Javornik, S59DEM

Mount V. Javornik is 1268 m high mountain near the city of Postojna. Radioclub "Proteus" from Postojna, S59DEM, is the owner of the small cottage that is located on the top of the mountain (JN75DS). First VHF contest were operated from V. Javornik exactly 20 years ago and last few years it was proved that JN75DS is one of the best (if not the best) VHF locations in S5. Current equipment on 144 MHz is TS-850s as the base station, home made high dynamic range transverter



(s53ww design), home made amplifier with one GS35b (by s55aw), delivering two times 500W to two antenna systems; 2x15 el. yagi (dl6wu) and 4x4el. yagi (modified nbs). Due to early/late snow and difficult access V. Javornik was not used in HF contest (yet?).



S53WW, Robi

Ham from 1980, previous call YT3WW. Main interest in home-brewing VHF&up equipment (transverters, amplifiers of all kind, antennas and accessories) and in VHF contest. But also QRV from 160m HF up to 10 GHz EME.

KUK



Location KUK is built by members of CB klub Porezen-Krn. Location lies on hilly region close to Alps in western Slovenia. Members of CB club are using it for purposes of meetings and parties as well as for CB contests. Host of this location is Tone Crv S54E. He has begun with ham radio in 1986. From then on he is very active and achieved 323 confirmed DXCC countries. He has also 8 bands DXCC (5BDXCC plus 160, 17 and 12 m). Tone has also 5B WAZ. Besides participating contests he likes most low band Dxing (160 and 80m) as well as construction of different low band antennas. At this particular time we are building new contest location at Gorski



vrh 940m asl together with friends S50U and S57NMQ.

His greatest wish is to receive trophies for his contest achievements in CQ WW WPX SSB. Organizers has forgotten on him at years 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998. The same is with his CQ WW SSB result in 1996. What say CQ?

Tone Črv
S54E

CRETEŽ

Radio klub Krško
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S51BK

S51D in the action

I was born on 14th of August 1974. When I was 12, in the far 1986, I passed the exams for the C class in the former YU. I was allowed to work only from a club station YU3JPQ (now S53JPQ). In the 1991 when I was a student, I passed the exams for the B class and I got my first personal callsign YZ3RY. This



was my callsign until in the October 1992 Slovenia got the prefix S5, then I changed it to S53RY. In 1996 I had a chance to change the callsign into a shorter one, S51D.

Every year I try to be active during major HF contests (CQ WW, WPX, EUHFC, IARU HFC...) and some local and international V/U/S HF contest (IARU, AlpeAdria...) Out the contest I'm active mostly on CW, SSB and RTTY on all HF bands. During my activity I received some nice Awards: Mixed DXCC, WAZ, WPX, IARU All Continent, and others...

My dreams: few towers with monoband antennas on the top of the hill near my home...HI

Simon Sintič,

S51D

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PODULAKA



S59L LEON SPORIČIČ
Location PODULAKA
JN75HT

Podulaka is a small village with just nine houses. I have started to build my own house in 1980 in it is shown on enclosed



Leon Šporčič, S59L

picture. It lies close to town velike Lašče and is 30 km to South from Ljubljana. Location is at 628m asl. Tower was built in 1994. At the present time there are some antennas on the tower: KLM 2 el. 40m beam and KT34XA for high bands. Wire antennas serve low bands. I am using TS 870S and an Alpha 76 amplifier. There are few computers in the house as well.

CIRKULANE



S57NOJ JERNEJ GOLC

Cirkulane, once known as St. Barbara, is a small lively village, surrounded by numerous vineyards, woods, meadows, fields.

Recent landscape of Cirkulane is a result of the Bela brook, with its tributaries such as the Belica, the Duga and the Gradiski brook. Hills reach the height of 300m with the exception of Vrbasnjak, which is 412m high.

Some archaeologists and historians believe the world of Haloze, with its pleasant climate and sunny slopes lying amongst bright woods attracted people a long time ago. There are several findings proving this is so.

Some believe that winegrowing began some time in the Roman times, and the time of the first settlements can only be an estimate. In 811 under Karel the Great the Drava river served as a borderline between the archbishopric of Salzburg and the Oglej patriarchy. Cirkulane was a part of the latter, and its history became closely linked to that of the castle Borl. Its villagers became bondmen. This lasted as long as until 1849, where the Spring of the Nations brought the so called rural reform.

Under the reign of Marija Terezija, at the end of the 19th century, the obligatory school system with elementary schools was established.

There are several villages in the area of Cirkulane, e.g. Brezovec, Cirkulane, Dolane, Gradišča, Gruškovec, Mali Okič, Medribnik, Meje, Paradiž, Pohorje, pristava, Slatina, Veliki vrh.

The most important source of income is still winegrowing,

but working in vineyards is hard work. Also the families were quite large, so people has to seek work in nearby factories in towns of Ptuj and Maribor.

The castle of Borl, built in 11th century on a steep rock above the Drava river, is one of the most magnificent in Slovenia. A mountain path leads us further on to a pilgrimage destination of the church Sv. Ana, built in 17th century. Cirkulane itself are known for its church Sv. Barbara, with slightly inclined, 52m high church-tower. It was originally built in 12th century, but as it is today it has not changed from 18th century. There is another church in Pohorje worth seeing.

The astounding beauty of Haloze also inspired a well-known Slovene poet Oton Zupancic, who visited these places in 1939. Main events and festivities:

-in February you are invited to fasenk, when the most original costumes are awarded.

-in July there is a weekend, when people go on a pilgrimage to the church of Sv. Ana.

-in autumn when the grapes are ripe, people pick the bunches and celebrate young wine maturing in November on Sv. Martin

PINDŽA



Some personal data first :

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Short Ham History

First license in 1994 (ex call S57NWO) in 1995 my perious license and call

Elmers

First contact with ham radio trough my father S51WO (ex YU3WO) and finally because of friends who were involved in this great hobby.

You have gone on some expeditions for contests - which was your favorite?

First expedition in 1997 for CQ WW CW to Panama - 3E1DX, in 1998 to Vienna

4U1VIC for the same contest, also 1998 to Germany for the WPX CW - In used

the call DA/S57NW. In 1999 USA - Mass not seriously participated in WAE CW as W1/S57NW.

My favorite was - for sure - my trip to Panama.

Can you describe your current station and and possible future plans for upgrade?

I moved not long ago to new QTH and I don't have a decent identify any sends hat are of interest?

It's fun to participate

What really gets you excited about contesting and in ham radio?

Meeting friends all over.



Jelka Samec
S57NW

RADENCI



Call sign: S59DTB/S53DTB

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Short Ham History -

When did you get your license, calls held, where, etc. We started handle with ham-radio in 1968 as part of YU3DBC radio club Murska Sobota.

Elmers -

Who was there to help you get started in ham radio and in contesting? Is there someone special in ham radio for you or that you have helped get on the air? First ham course was runing in Radenci. Anton Grcar was first mentor.

First QSO's were making in ham-radio club YU3DBC. In the same year we got a most modern equipment for this time SB-301, SB-401 and SB-200 line from Heathkit. Every two to three years we organized a ham-radio course for new members. With an old UHF transceiver HW-17 we were contesting with only one crystal and 4watts on AM modulation. It was hard work (HI). On HF we were making contact with new countries and got diplomas.

You have gone on some expeditions for contests - which was your favorite? Your least favorite? Any upcoming trips?

We were runing only VHF contests over local hills.

Can you describe your current station and and possible future plans forupgrade?

Now we have TS-870S from KENWOD for HF, FT736R for 2m, 70cm and 6m. Have also linear amplifier for HF and VHF

What about WRTC-2000 ? How did you become involved?

Over WRTC2000 internet site and mesage from ZRS Slovenia.

Where do you see contesting headed in general?

Can you identify any trends that are of interest? To be skillful handler with "pile up", make fast qso's etc... Get more friends of course...

What really gets you excited about contesting and in ham radio?

Prepare stations, antenas for action and making qso's in "pile up". Of course a good scores and good place in score list is also good feeling...

Radio klub Radenci
Drago Jug
S51XK



JANŽEV VRH



Location Janzev Vrh is lying at the Northeastern part of Slovenia, close to known spa Radenci. There is 5400 people in our commune with 22 localities. Janzev Vrh is about 400 m asl and my location is right on the top. Through our place there leads also so called Prekmurje's mountain path. Since my location is between highest in this region it was selected to serve for WRTC 2000 purposes.

S57HVZ – Berto Jagodnik



I was born 1957 in village Vrbovo close to Ilirska Bistrica. Was visiting school in Koper on Adriatic sea coast. Finished college of mechanical engineering.

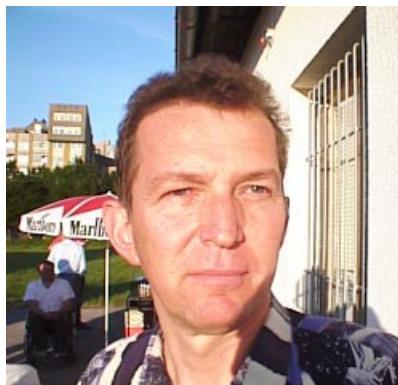
I have made a decision to join ham radio in 1980 as a member of radioclub Ilirska Bistrica S59DGO. In year of 1990 I met my life companion from Janzev Vrh which is on the other side of the country and after marriage moved to this location. Now I am member of S59DRA and S59DTB radio clubs.

KOZJAK

BOJAN SEVER S57M

In 1983 I found my contest location by accident. At first it was meant to be more of a weekend spot and a bit for VHF too. In 1987 I managed to put together a cottage, which also has basement and is located on the top of Sersenov vrh on Kozjak, approximately 3km away from OE border, 963m asl. Access is

available through the valley of Drava to Ozbolt, and then 10km more following a country road. It takes me app. 35 mins from my home. It is accessible also in winter by car since the roads are cleared of snow because children go to school. The peak is covered by spruce forest, and



during 1st WW there was an observation tower. The name of the peak originates in German words sehr schön, which means very nice. The view is nice indeed, but these days it is blocked by the trees.

Today once a wooden tower has been substituted by a metal one, which was bought two years ago in Dolenjska in a car factory. I worked on it a little and today it serves as a spot for a beautiful view from the height of 40m. There isn't a higher object in the range of 10 km around it.

A friend of mine advised me some time ago that I could put some wires to the nearby trees and "work like mad" on low bands over the winter. This is what I did and appeared in competitions on 80 and 160m. The beginnings were quite promising and the results pushed me into further wire-spreading. I have a tower from 25th Oct, 1999 and I almost have more of a quad loop vertically polarized at the height of 50m. The results are becoming even better. I am not present on higher bands, since I have to finish the rotors, and then finally also aluminium to HI line. On 2m I am present almost in all contests, except a higher force prevents me to do so. Until recently I have had 15 el. Yagi on a mast near the chimney. It is placed at the outer wall so I was disturbed a little bit by the nearby trees with the absorption. In May I replaced the antenna to the top of the tower and the feeling in the contest was much better than before. The ideal location does not exist. One must enjoy the maximum within the reasonable limits.

VOLJČINA

BRANKO CEHNER S52V

First ham radio steps were made when I was 16. It was 1977 and I was a student of a military gymnasium. I also joined the radioclub YU3DAF Ljubljana. We were the first generation of radioamaterus and was seen also according to the codes we were using. Even before that I was very much attracted by the radiotechnique, and this probably prevailed later on to gain training in telecommunications. I worked a lot in radio telecommunications in the former Yugoslav army, where I



helped a number of radioamateurs to make their first contacts. I lived not only in Ljubljana, but also in Sarajevo, Tuzla, Beograd and I was a member of different radioclubs, but due to my duties and unfavourable circumstances was not very active.

When I moved to Ljubljana I reactivated myself in the field of radioamateurism. Living in a block could unfortunately not offer any special kind of pleasures. In 1993 I moved with my family into a little village Straze, south of Lenart, app. 20 km southeast from Maribor. There are a lot of villages in Slovenia with the same name and they all probably have the same origin. Its name has probably survived from the Turks, who ruled in this area in 18th century and the experts might guess that I am located on a hill, from where the villagers were informed by fires of the forthcoming Turks. The hill itself is not so high, 355m above the sea level, but it is quite open into several directions, especially JA and USA. For everybody, tired of everyday noise and hassle the village is a wonderful location for relaxation. The nearby woods bring clean and fresh air and one can also go picking mushrooms. The air circulation because of the location is assured even in the hottest summer days.

More than competitions I am interested into radio-technique and DX-ing. From time to time I also enjoy a discussion about radioamateur practice. By all means it is a pure pleasure to chat in winter months and in dry periods when one is deprived of the sunlight. My experience shows that the location enables good results also with smaller antennas and low power.

SV. URBAN

RADIOCLUB MARIBOR S59ABC

Radioclub Maribor is one among Slovene radioclubs which has strived for a long time to put up a competition point in a suitable vicinity and suitable location. In 1999 we managed to join our forces and found the right spot. It has always been where the HI is today. The circumstances have been such that today we have a wooden object (building) app. 4x5m, called two shacks together. Inside it has been almost finished, power is on, the only thing left to do is to cement the antenna base. Hopefully in autumn it will still be possible to work in the true contests. Guys can do miracles!

The spot is located in Sv. Urban hill, above Maribor, few km NW from the town on 597m asl. There is a beautiful view of Maribor and the view of surrounding hills reminds of the one from an aeroplane. The peak is covered by grass and the cottage is near a little church with a church-tower, which is

good for the wire antennas. There is also a farm in the neighbourhood offering refreshments, which isn't that bad at all.

The view reaches to the west past Tavcarjev vrh from Golica in Austria over mountains behind Gradec towards Prekmurje, Croatia and Boc and then further on to the south. It is not intended to break the world M/M records, but it will still offer the possibility of enjoying in DX-ing and taking part in competitions, which one can not afford for hundreds of reasons.

SLAVŠINA



Location Slavšina is situated in wineyards region of Slovenske Gorice in Northeastern part of Slovenia (about 25 km east from city of Ptuj). Operating location is in vineyard cottage above the wine-cellar.

S51RE Mirko Sel

S51RE Mirko Sel (previous calls: YU3TLC, YU3TLC/MM, YU3RE, YU3RE/MM) was first licensed in 1974. His activities are mostly oriented towards HF CW. Like QRQ very much. Active in contests lately.

BLED

Back in 1980, a good friend (now S51LK) showed me THE RADIO.

Next day I started with Morse code. Soon, I become so much interested in DXing and contesting that I nearly forget the real world exists. After twenty years I am still the same. I still think nothing is better than good, very good and long pile-up on HF. What else can I say? Enjoy WRTC!



73,
Aleksander,
S57S