



MF RUNDE U-995

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News From Laboe*



Bob & Kathy

Bob D'Imperio(84) and his sister Kathy(70) visited Europe for four weeks. After stays in the Netherlands and Sweden, they arrived in Laboe for a week. Of course, they stayed at Admiral Scheer again as they did in 2018. But this year many things were different. On Thursday the English, Dutch and German radio operator friends of Bob N4XAT arrived.

The U-995 Friendship Crew wanted to participate again in the international ship museum week end on June 1st. This activity is organized by the Battleship USS

NEW JERSEY, which has been a museum ship on the Delaware River in Camden, New Jersey, since 2001. Bob N4XAT is a crew member there.

Some visitors rubbed their eyes in amazement at the flag of Schleswig-Holstein flying from the flagpole in front of U-995. The reason why, is that this year the U-995 Friendship Crew was supplemented by those from Enschede in the Netherlands; Jo van Laarschot (78), call sign

PA0VLA, reinforced the radio crew with his characteristic Morse 'hand writing.' Meanwhile, his xl Wil, went off to do a bit of local sightseeing in Laboe, and in the surrounding area -a good excuse for some retail therapy. [Ed]



Jo PA0VLA

Several of the visitors to U-995 whose fathers are members of the DMB, were informed about the tasks and goals of the DMB and our hobby too. Of course, we were happy to do this.

From the U-995's original radio room we have been sending radio amateur messages under the call sign DL0DMB for a long time, with RN4865 + MF995, membership recruitment included.



**Harry DL6LV mit xyl
Ulrike DB8LV**



For the first time this year our English radio friend Angelika Barclay (63), call sign 2E1GDC, joined the activity as a radio operator and not only as a guest, using the training call DN1MOS.

In total our radio crew in Laboe this year included eleven people from different nations and Marine Comradeships (MK): Roberto D'Imperio (N4XAT) , RN 4783, from the USA, former member of the US Navy; Angelika Barclay (2E1GDC), William Cross (G0ELZ) MF 969, and Andy J. Forbes (G4UST), RN 3527, from the Royal Naval Association, Jo J.M. van Laarschot (PA0VLA), RN 944, former member of the Royal Dutch Navy, furthermore Harald Joormann (DL5XI), RN 3695 of the MK Wesel, Hans-Juergen Kempe (DK9OS), RN4636, and Maren Lorenz (DK9MOS), RN4946, of the MK Verden/Aller, as well as, Harry Jekel (DL6LV) MF1077 and Jonny Worzeck (DL4HJ) MF581 of the Marinefunkerrunde e.V.

Out of the number of 116 museum ships participating worldwide, we caught three on air, but we also had many other interesting radio contacts. It was a lot of fun again. Besides, Bob and Kathy were in Hamburg afterwards. Bob visited the Russian submarine U 434. Also a harbour and city tour was on the program for our American friends. After another short visit to Buxtehude they went back to the USA.



Angelika 2E1GDC



Maren DK9MOS

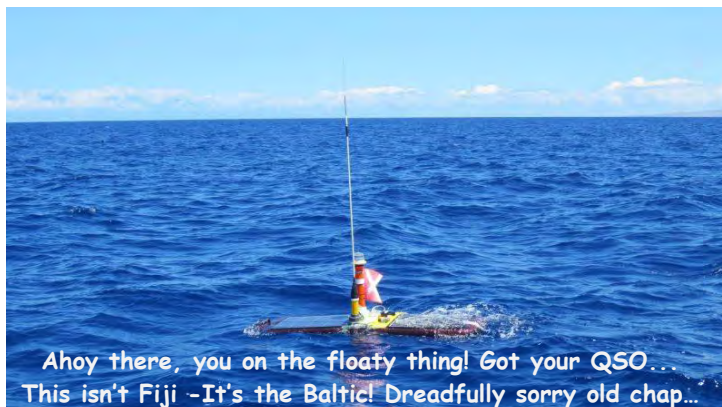


Our radio crew with flagpole in front of U-995



U-995 friendship crew in the Captain's Corner in Admiral Scheer

We are looking forward to seeing all of you again in 2020.



**Ahoy there, you on the floaty thing! Got your QSO...
This isn't Fiji -It's the Baltic! Dreadfully sorry old chap..**

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