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Day 1 (Tuesday 30/10);

We had to get up early! At 0315 the alarm clock sounded. After a trip of one and a half hour Cornel and Ben arrived at Schiphol Amsterdam where we met Guido and Dave. In 3 steps we arrived at Kiruna and after pushing all the luggage in the VW Golf station – full – we drove quietly to Parka. The few things we bought in Kangos had to stay on our laps.

Day 2 (Wednesday 31/10);

After a short night for some (Dave especially) we were all sitting behind the SDR's and Laptops. Amazing good conditions towards USA/CAN. Westcoast and eastcoast at the same time (switchable by beverage). Later in the afternoon some good signals from Alaska, Australia and Asia. Very content for the first day. See:

http://www.mwlist.org/mw_logmap.php?sort=&datum=2018-10-31&hours=0&omid=0&band=MW

Day 3 (Thursday 1/11)

The newcomers Dave and Guido are going out of their minds. Fantastic is the word we often hear! We are listen around the clock and eating and sleeping. Dave and Guido made a walk and three of us went for shopping in Kangos. Many Hawaiians heard (10 stations). And also Alaska was good around 1300utc (23 stations logged). Maybe it's the Christmas beer?



Day 4 (Friday 2/11)

Listening is going on like the days before (loggings all over the place)...much recording is done. Too much to handle for us really! We are lucky with the conditions. Ben received his first 'daytimer' on 1510 WRRD. In the afternoon we went for a walk along the Pacific beverage (all 4 had not seen this one. Quite a difficult walk through the terrain. Rolf went back later to do some repair (hang the tread more up in the tress on some point). After that we had a beer and as a meal carrots, rice and salmon from the oven. As Dave is not in for fish he took a pizza. When will the predicted disturbance come?

Day 5,6,7,8 (Saturday-Tuesday 3-6/11)

Busy all day recording and listening. We had a second shopping trip to Kangos on Monday and a walk to the soccerfield. Then Monday morning at a sudden reception went down. The sun was the reason: disturbances. In the evening the weather cleared up and we had a beautiful view on the Aurora Borealis (for about an hour). Bosse brought some wine... so we can enjoy that too now.





On tuesday 6/11 things were already improving and we had many Japanese stations and Alaskans, westcoasters. Never a dull moment! Tomorrow will be our last day in this incredible DX-paradise! Maybe who knows if health permits again in 2020.

/Photo's taken by Guido with his smartphone./

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Day 9 and 10 (Wednesday and Thursday 7-8/11)

Our last day we listened a lot, but conditions were a bit below what it used to be during our first days. Three of us made a walk along the Alaska/HI beverage and we were just back before darkness fell (around 15.15 Local time). Already a bit in 'travelling' mode we had our last wine at supper. Next morning we had to say goodbye to Bosse and stow everything in the VW car (it hardly fits) and off we went at 09.30 hours. Unfortunately Dave lost a few things during our trip home. It was his off day apparently. We arrived safely at our homes somewhere in the evening. Happy to have had so much luck – very good DX and Aurora. Very special this DX-school.....to come back again! /BHK