

TSA TOIVOTTAA TEIDÄ Tervetulleeksi!

Dear friends from Järvenpää!

We are glad to see you on Swedish soil and will do our best to make you feel at home. Probably that will be an easy task between radio amateurs and their families!

First of all we will take you to Kvarnberget ("Myllyvaara") where our field day will take place. Kvarnberget was used by the Research Institute of National Defence in the fifties, when long term tests were made in the field of tropospheric scatter, and a model was calculated for this kind of wave propagation which holds even today. We now rent the place and "inherited" the parabolic reflector with 10 m diameter (!) and a 20 m antenna tower, together with a 50 m² house. The enormous amount of other towers and antennas have gradually increased since we in Täby Sändaramatörer took over. Via SKOUX all packet radio traffic OH-SM is transferred. Those of you not that much interested in amateur radio may be able to see glimpses of the (hopefully) blue sky between the antennas. Or why not climb the 32 m tower and have a wonderful view from the safe platform at its top?

Usually, you have to bring your own rig to Kvarnberget to use the antennas. At the field day, we have borrowed some modern gear and will probably be able to work on any band from 160 m to 10 GHz.

When we arrive, the "fox hunt" (ARDF) has already begun - thus you need not run in the woods yourselves but can enjoy the sight of tired and sweaty competitors coming back.

You will be introduced to your hosts and can discuss lodging with them. If some of you, mostly those not being hams, wish to do something else than spend the whole day at the fieldday, that could certainly be arranged.

But we hope that all of you will participate in the supper at 1900 local time, an open air supper where you are the honored guests of TSA. Never has the weather been bad when we have had our fieldday suppers! We cross our fingers and knock on wood...

Your respective hosts will give you bed-and-breakfast service. As for the other meals, we have a canteen with coffee, tea, beer, simple open sandwiches, rolls, and hot dogs - maybe something else this year. Trips to a restaurant not too far away could also be arranged, if you are very hungry!

An auction takes place at 1300 on Sunday, and after that the fieldday gradually fades away. At that time, we hope to have counted some 150-180 visitors, as usual. And we hope that valuable contacts have been made between amateurs (and non-amateurs!) from our two countries.

On your way back to the ferry terminal sightseeing in Täby can certainly be arranged. Some shops may be open at our shopping center, rune stones remind us of the Viking age, new living areas in rapidly expanding Täby might interest someone etc. During the two days, we will arrange that you get interested guides to show you what you want to see and to take you to the ferry terminal. These guides will not necessarily be the same as those who met you there.

Enjoy your stay, and do not hesitate to make many personal contacts!