Report about Sóvár 2020- Events and plans

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The Lord has given to all the knowledge of his salvation; he has made clear his righteousness in the eyes of the nations.

(Psalms 98,2)



This year reservations arrived in ordinary ways to Sóvár until March, when the virus situation upset almost everything. Reservations in April and May couldn't even be given up, they were cancelled automatically because of curfew restrictions.

Some of the groups gave up their reservations, but most of them kept the planned camps later, or made a reservation for the next year. There was only one case when the deposit had to be paid back.

At the end of May organising youth camps was not prohibited anymore, thus new reservations arrived to July and August.

During the year, there was a fire protection control and a kitchen technology control in Sóvár. We "passed both successfully", but we had to introduce new measures, and also increase administration. Online invoice writing and guest registry was also introduced during 2020. This year, together with Ági Fésűs, we employed Sári Győri for evenings. Voluteers helped their work, too.

Original windows of both buildings (small house and big house, too) will be changed to new ones this year thanks to a targeted support.

Az idei évben egy céltámogatásból a angyház, és kisház eredeti ablakait cseréljük le.

To March, the usual Sóvár programs go on: Advent and Fast events, church services, religious classes.

Group camps in summer

During the years we had groups which come every summer, their stay can be planned. There are others which book for next summer in the previous year, and others who "wake up" to book in the last moment. They complement each other suitably.

Groups mostly from abroad and schools were those who gave up reservations because of Covid. Thus, mainly groups from congregations arrived, but there were a few who reservated somewhere else and then change their mind and came here.

You can see the groups below, wich were our guests in this summer.

It was also good to see many more YMCA group camps here. We let the small house to families most of the time as the groups did not need it, and this means that families usually did not need meals.

We get much positive feedback from our homepage which makes us easier to find and to book.

Groups of 2020

Date	Group	Small/Big House	Status
03. 27-29.	Evangélikus Egyház GYÜMI	SH/BH	canceled
04. 17-19.	Soproni Berzsenyi Gimnázium	ВН	canceled
05. 7-9.	Újbudai József A. Gimn	ВН	canceled
05. 28-29.	Szombathelyi Reményik Ált.Isk.	SH/BH	canceled
06. 4-7.	Fasori Evangélikus Gimnázium	ВН	canceled
06. 13-15.	Baráti kör	SH	confirmed
06. 20-22.	Baráti kör	SH	confirmed
06. 28-07.01.	Norvégok	SH/BH	Booking for 2021
06.26-28.	Szentendrei óvónők	ВН	confirmed
06.29-07.04.	Sárvári focisták	ВН	canceled
07. 5-6.	Német motorosok	SH/BH	Booking for 2021
07. 06-10.	Angol tábor	ВН	canceled
07. 10-12.	Csíkszerda	ВН	new booking
07. 6-11.	Család	SH	confirmed
07. 12-13.	Német motorosok	SH/BH	Booking for 2021
07. 12-17.	Soroksár	ВН	confirmed
07. 13-26.	Család	SH	confirmed
07. 18-20.	Család	BH	new booking
07. 26-08.01.	Nagytarcsa Evangélikus Ifjúság	ВН	new booking
07. 19-	Tappancs	SH/BH	canceled
08.02.			
07. 28-08.02.	Páratlan kör	SH	new booking
08. 3-8.	Pócsmegyer	SH/BH	confirmed
08. 8-14.	Családok	SH/BH	new booking
08. 10-13.	Győri Katalin cs.	NH	canceled
08. 14-19.	Szombathelyi TS	SH/BH	new booking
08. 20-25.	Simon Ildikó cs.	SH	confirmed
08. 20-23.	Dél budai gyül.	ВН	new booking
08. 26-31.	Páratlan kör	SH	new booking
08. 27-29.	Deák Téri Gimnázium	ВН	new booking
08. 27-30.	Lilling focisták	ВН	Booking for 2021
09. 11-13.	Ten Sing Szombathely	SH	new booking
09. 26-28.	Baráti kör	SH	new booking
10. 12-13.	Szombathelyi férfikör	SH/BH	new booking
10. 23-28.	Tappancs vezetőképző	SH/BH	confirmed

Volunteers and employeesThis summer, next to Ági Fésűs, we employed Sári Győri, who grew up from here for dinners. Volunteers helped their work, arriving in weekly turns. Most of them comes in the

frames of the community volunteer service (compulsory fo secondary school students), but many of then return after their finals as well.

The small team of Sóvár did an outsdanding work this year, too, but regarding the operating tasks of the small house, we have to emploi another colleague.

Volunteers in summer 2020.

Date	Names	Institute
06. 29 – 07.04.	Pfeil Anna és Fűrész Boglárka	Győr Ev. Gimn. + AUDI
07. 6-19.	Frank Petra és Juhos Martin	Gödöllő
08. 2-8.	Pungor Viktória és Imre Johanna	Szombathely
08. 14-19.	Szalai Dóra és Körmendy Lídia	Körmend
08. 27-29.	Pungor Viktória	Szombathely

Bookings for 2021

As you can see in the chart below.

For the time being there is only one reservation and a few interests for 2021. The main reason is the uncertainty because of the virus situation. Hopefully around March or April reservation will be a realistic thing for groups.

Date	Group	Group size
05.27-30.	Fasori Evangélikus Gimnázium	25
06.27-30.	Norvég cserkészek	43
07.25-31.	Nagytarcsai Evangélikus Ifjúság	30

Plans

In terms of Sóvár we aim to focus on advertising. Main goal is to be fully booked, so we plan to devote resources into sales for off-season. Beyond that, we wish to improve informing future guests, and to stay in touch with group leaders.

Each year, during the winter period, we are doing the maintenance work, and improvements. We are finished with the exact surveys, volunteers from Szombathely are prepared to start the work, only building material needs to be bought.

A bigger piece of work will be the painting of the left four room, just after we changed the old windows.

Events of Sóvár and the KIE in Balatongyörök

Our programs are paused since March because of the Covid. Religion class started in September each Wednesday, and the first Tappanes occasion and Worships are planned to begin in October.

Tranquility at Sórvár

It became a tradition, that on the first Sunday of Advent, we have our afternoon event at Sóvár. We are planning to have a smaller classical music concert, Advent candle-ligting, handicraft, and love-feast on the first Sunday this Advent.

Tappancs

At the last Saturday afternoon each month, we still have our regular Tappancs sessions. The session are held with the leadership of my son Dani, and the other leaders with Tappancs ties. They prepare the sessions with great care, and divide the tasks among themselves.

Religion class-Confirmation

Each Wednesday, there's a lutheran religion class with the leadership of pastor Zsolt Honthegyi.

Worships

We will continue the worships from last year this fall, but with a different timetable. Monthly, on the second Sunday, we have the Calvinistic worship.

Thank you for your attention. ☺