

GÖDÖLLŐ CLIMATE CLUB

17 July 2012

Minutes – English summary

People present: 14 persons

Lots of us were spending their vacation, so there were not that many people at this meeting.

Regardless of the hot summer time, there were many interesting topics and finally we closed a cheerful and informative evening where the following items were discussed:

1. The Municipality of Gödöllő invites applications for 'Clean Yard - Ordinary House Godollo 2012' status.

The members of the jury will include representatives of NGOs. For example GreenDependent Association will also audit the environmental awareness and sustainability aspects of the households in addition to purity of the yards and the beauty of the landscape.

The details and the application form can be obtained from our office or from the Municipality.

The deadline of the application: 31st July.

2. Experiences about our Waste Measurement Minutes

We decided at the beginning of this year to produce statistics on how much waste is generated in our homes

. Our goal is to prove that there is not so much garbage generated in a conscious household. Therefore we would like to promote a new transportation system in the city which can compensate for small waste producers

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We prepared a sheet to collect this information. The hard-working members of the club used this sheet and they told us what they were observing about their practices and habits.

3. Visiting the nearby waste management centre

According to the preliminary consultations, there is nothing to prevent this visit so we are going to visit this plant in October.

Meanwhile, The Housing Cooperatives Association of Gödöllő and the local Large Families Association have indicated their intention to participate.

4. Mapping the surrounding orchards

There are many disowned orchards with ripe fruits in the surrounding areas, therefore we decided to try to organize their harvest.

5. The EnergyNeighbourhoods project continues

Applications are welcome from all of those who want to test themselves in the second round as a member of an Energy Neighbourhood.

In the competition 5-10 households form a small community in 16 European countries and try to save 9% energy.

The idea has been suggested that the club members may also create one or more communities

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The date of our next club meeting:

19th September, 17 o'clock:

One of the main topics will be: How to build a homemade solar collector from aluminium cans?
– Conversation with our new group member who tried it at his home.

Other important dates:

§ Climate Club meeting in October:

According to the preliminary plans and proposals, the families who performed the best in the 'Ki slábnyom' (Small Footprint campaign) competition in Gödöllő - many of whom are

members of
the club -, are going to report
on
their best
practices
which
is not only
something we can do
for the environment
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also
saves money.

§ tree-planting action in the autumn

GreenDependent hosted an international conference where the organizers collected donations to neutralize the carbon dioxide emissions of the event.

This obtained amount enable to plant 45 native fruit trees.

Thanks to the cooperation with the Municipality some of the trees will be planted in public places but we also design to plant them in private gardens where the trees could undertake a long-term care. .

We wish a warm welcome to our new members and we hope the old members will keep up their participation in the club!