



## Renaturation of the wetlands in Somogy County (H) in relation to ecotourism and traditional culture due to an NGO

„Somogy” Provincial Association for Nature Conservation

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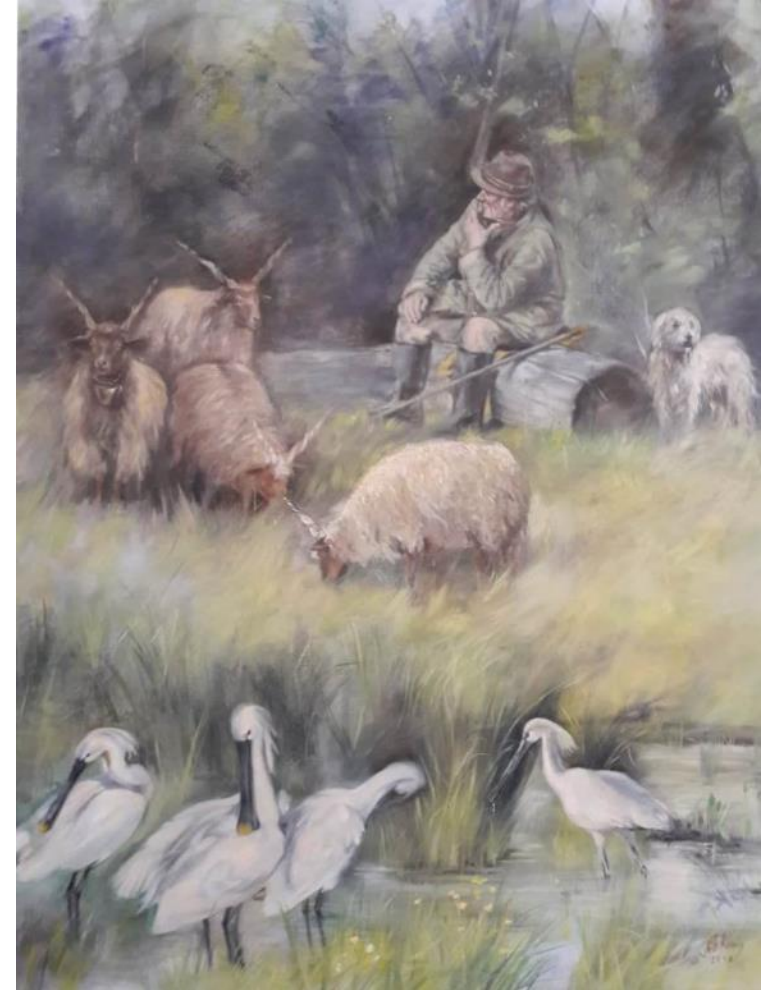
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# Our vision in 1980



*Bird paradise*, Painting of a local painter István Nemes



*Shepherd*, Painting of János Tóth Kovács



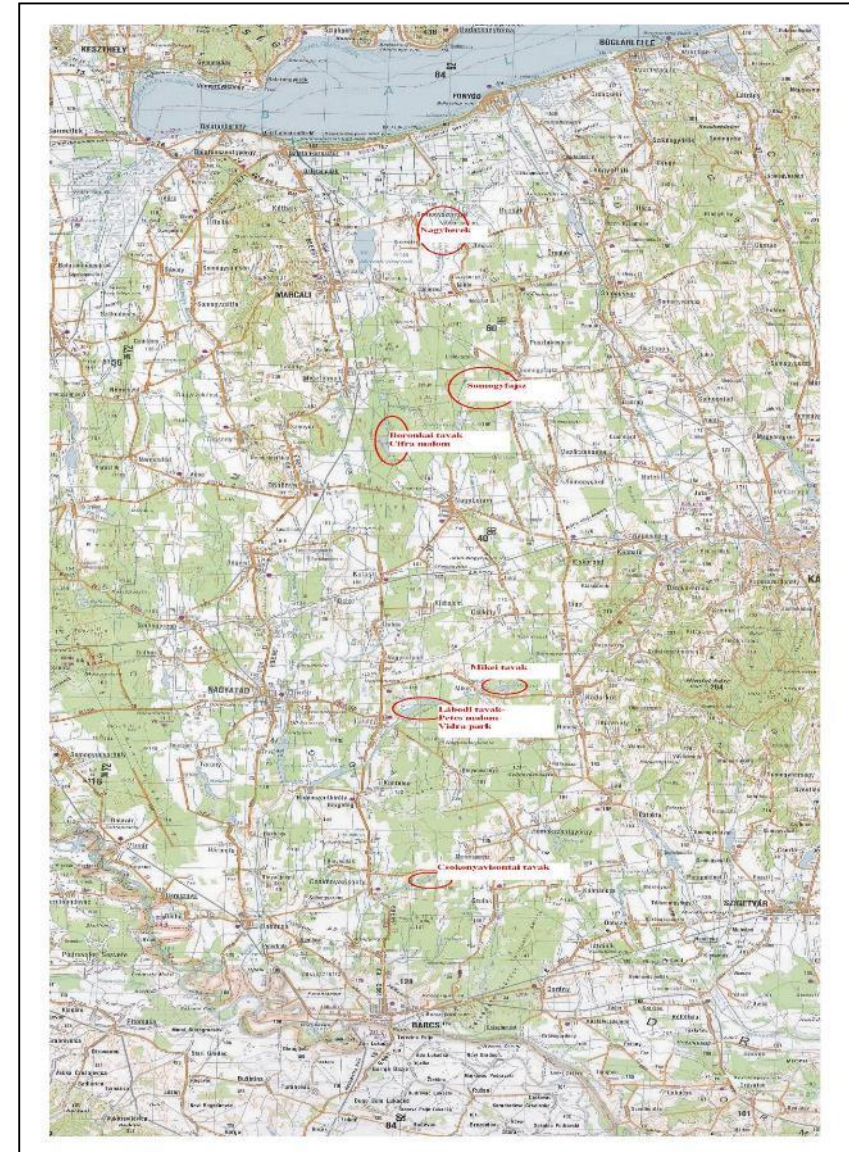
# Strategy - Establishing the Association

- The „Somogy” Provincial Association for Nature Conservation was established in 1989 by 250 members.
- Main aim was to protect the nature habitat in Somogy County
- **It was the first time in Hungary that a private association bought land for nature conservation reserve purposes** with, 180 acres near Boronka
- The Association bought more territory in the upcoming years, especially wetlands, and currently handling over 800 acres in Somogy County.

# Strategy - Survey of the area 1980-1988

Survey of the area between the Lake Balaton and river Drava (Drau), as the „green corridor”:

- Nagyberek
- Somogyfajsz
- Boronka
- Mike
- Petesmalom
- Csokonyavisonta



# Strategy – Buying the territory 1989–2000

## Nagyberek



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Somogyfajsz



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Boronka



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## Petesmalom





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Mike, Csokonyavisonta



# Realization – Handling 800 acres

The racka sheep flock and the grey cattle plays an important role in maintaining the condition of the meadows.



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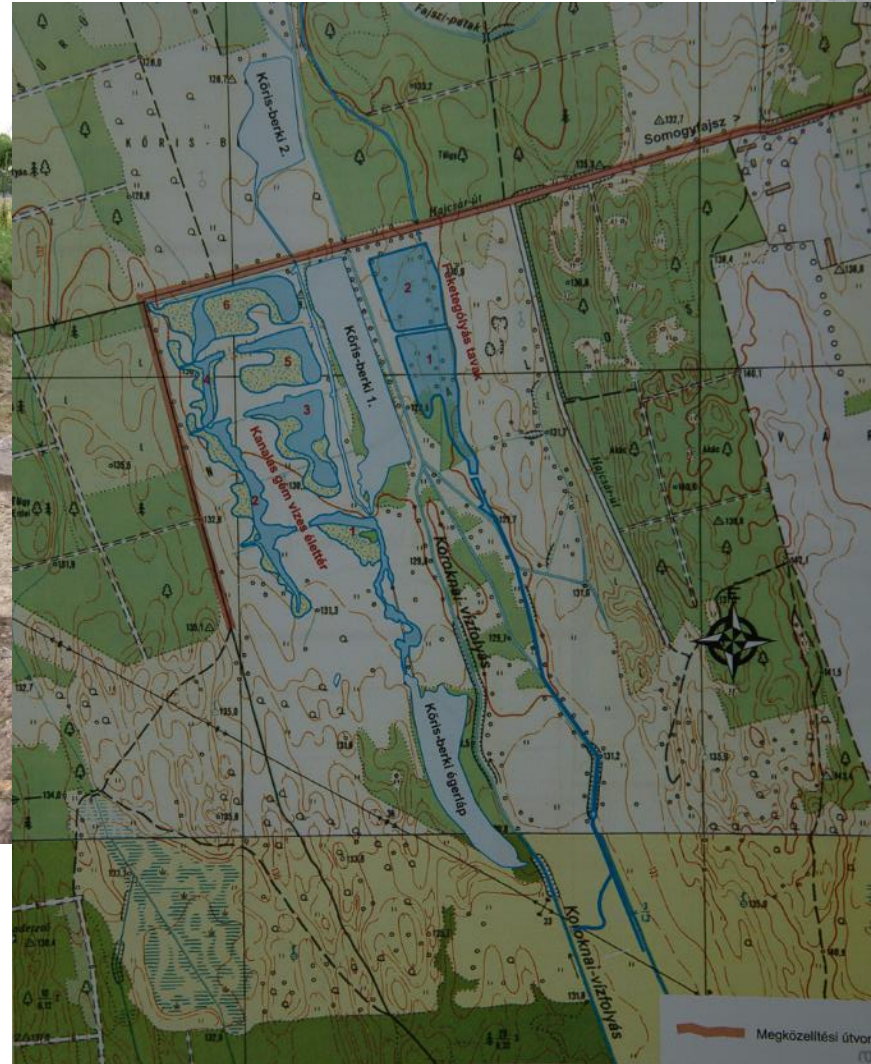
# Realization – establishing visitor centres



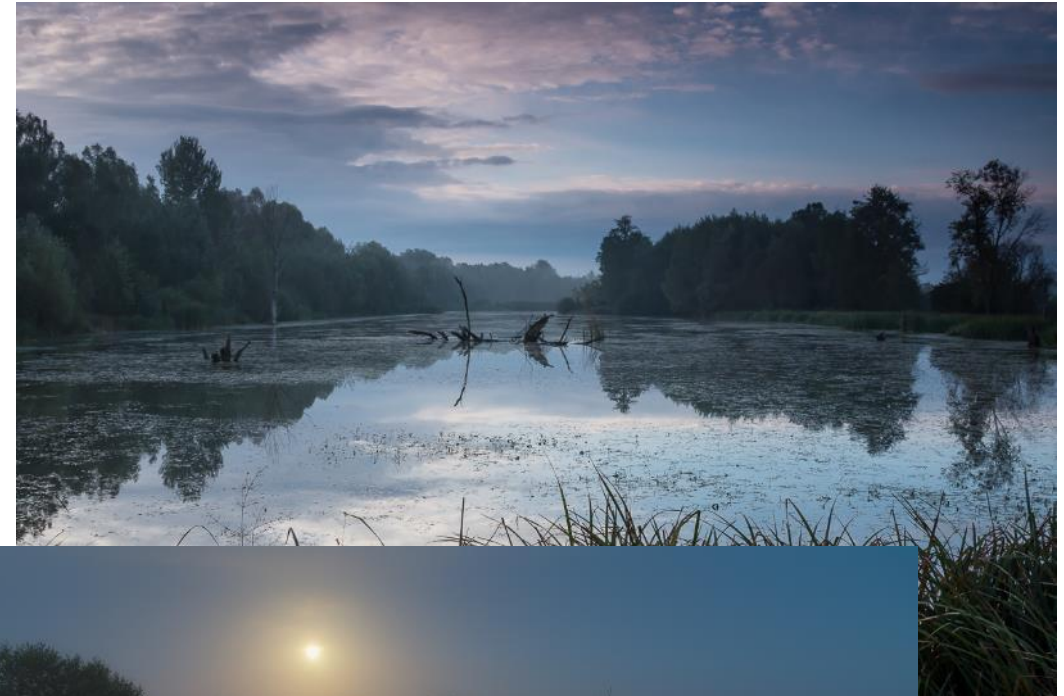
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# Renaturation



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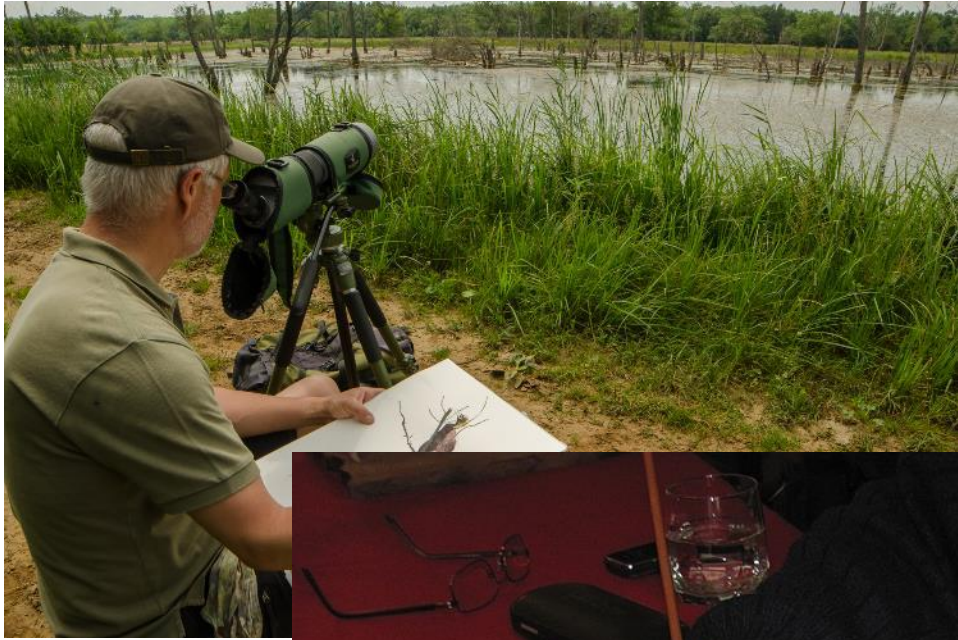


# Environmnetal sustainability





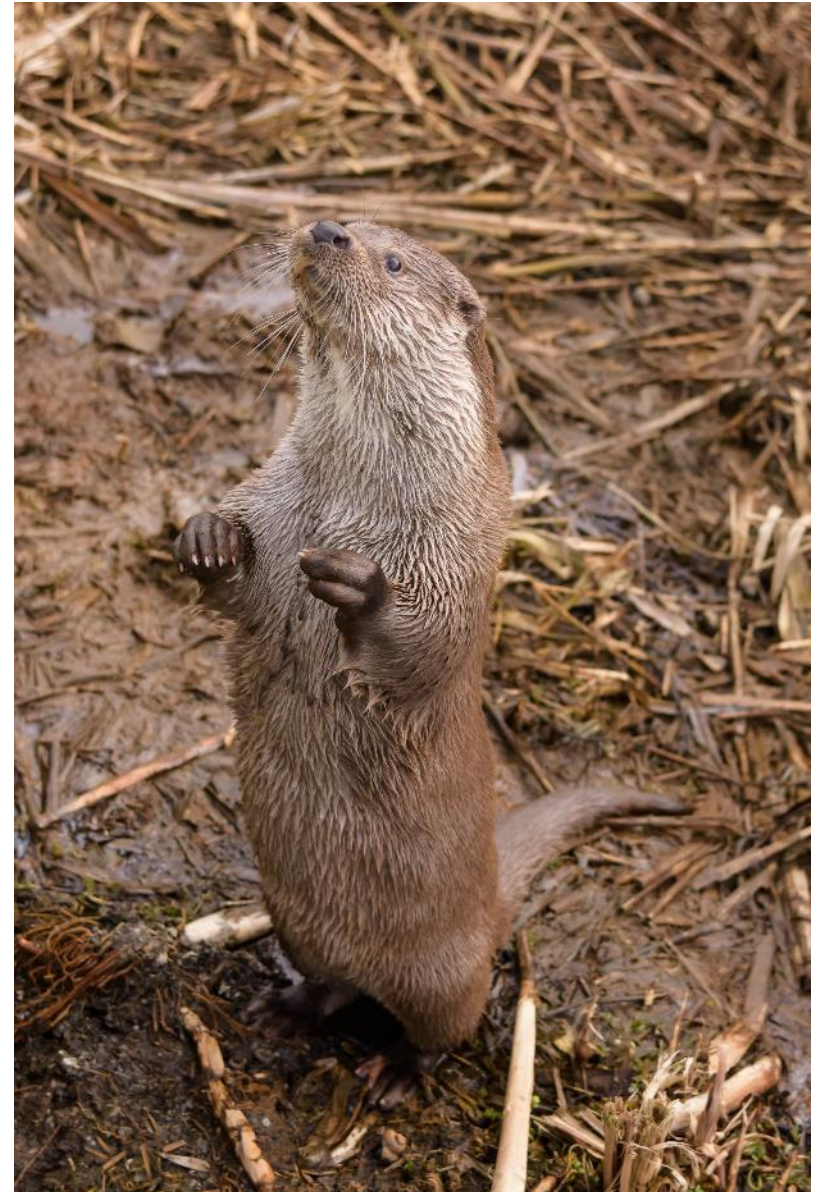
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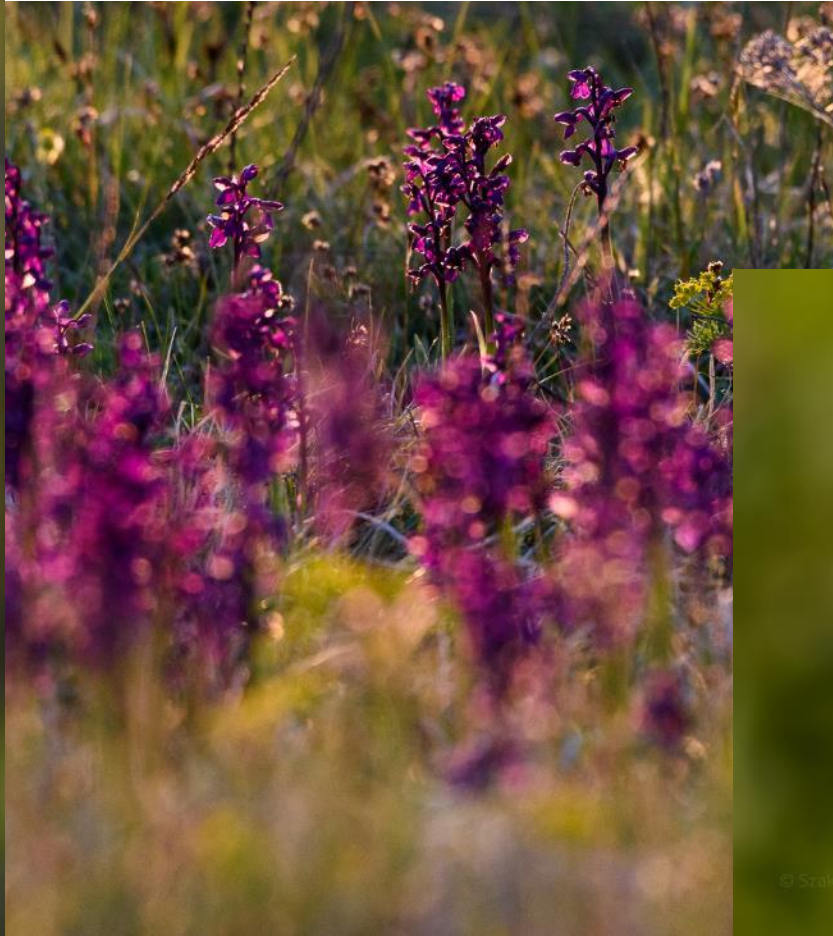
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