



# Sörve Sosin

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The Sörve Family of 2020

The games have been played, inspections made, songs have been sung and painting done, friendships have formed, others renewed, dances danced and swims swum.... and another Sörve draws to a close.

To the fabulous juhid, a huge thank you! Words do not suffice in celebrating what you have achieved together.... it has been awesome! And to the committee and other people who have contributed their time and expertise also a huge vote of thanks. The magic of Sörve that Marissa alluded to in her welcome message doesn't just happen... it is created through the symbiotic merging of all effort that goes into this experience, including that of the children, their parents and their grandparents. This year the magic has again sparked... you can see it emanating from people's eyes, you can hear it in their laughter and simply feel it being in their midst. May the spirit of Sörve sustain you all throughout the year ahead and may you have the desire to continue to work for and participate in Sörve 2021. It has been a pleasure editing Sosin again and I thank all contributors. *Editor, Sörve Sosin*

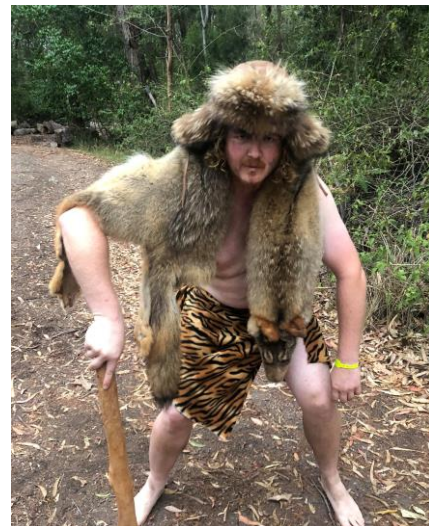




**Puhka Rahu  
Paul Carter**



This is to acknowledge that it is 25 years since Paul Carter started the Sörve Golf Challenge. Paul was also Sörve's inaugural PLO (Parent Liaison Officer) and made that role his own as well as doing a superb job of it. The golf and PLO traditions have endured so thank you Paul for such an amazing contribution.



**Aah the power of dressing up and getting immersed in character!**



Some great Eesti cooks like mothers & grandmothers might be a trifle alarmed at what was cooked in this challenge





**Sörve - A past leader's perspective by Russell Nelson**

If there's one thing I've learnt in the 30-odd years I've been coming to camp (Sörve to the traditionalists) it's that you'll eventually have to contribute to Sosin. As kids, you contribute by answering a bunch of questions. Can your hut fill out this questionnaire? No way! Who's your favourite leader? Sven! What's your favourite activity? Sailing! Do you have any scandalous gossip from the hike? Liisa R. massaged Mantas' bum.

One year\* I was roped into putting together a daily photographic comic strip called LLESSUR & SATNAM in which I starred (along side a Lithuanian whose name escapes me). The title came from a comical play on our first names - in that we spelt them backwards. Each day the two characters would partake in an exciting adventure in a new exotic location (usually either the boat shed, löke or the pool). We had to work around our full-time-kid schedules, which meant we could only shoot during rest period. It was so well received that I quickly took credit for its creation and trademarked the name for merchandise opportunities. It was quite the contribution so I felt it was only right to financially benefit. (Enter the code SORVE at [lessurandsatnam.com/endofyearsale](https://lessurandsatnam.com/endofyearsale) for the 'Esto' discount)

\* Let's say pre-Sven-Midri-getting-attacked-by-a-duck-at-the-pool but post-Al-Porm-getting-attacked-by-a-duck-at-the-pool.

I even spent a couple years at the editors desk of the Sosin. This is like the pinnacle of having to contribute to the publication. Writing the articles, designing the layouts, taking the photos and asking the questions.

Can your hut fill out this questionnaire? Do it now please. Who's your favourite leader? Sosin counts as being a leader so you can put us. What's your favourite activity? Just put down 'reading Sosin'. Do you have any scandalous gossip from the hike? Try and keep it PC guys. But this year is different. This year I'm here with my wife and a child of my own. I now see the world (or camp at least) through a whole new set of eyes. And this year I was asked to write an article – no longer than 400 words – titled 'A past leader's perspective'. And boy has my perspective



And home we go after yet another great Sörve experience, past the lilypond, down the highway and onto whatever 2020 will bring

