

IN MEMORIAM GYÖRGY KOLONICS



Magyar Posta issues a commemorative sheet to remember György Kolonics, the most successful sportsman in the history of Hungarian canoeing, Olympic champion, who died suddenly, tragically young. The border design contains a photo by Péter Szalmás. The sheet was produced in 4,000 copies by ANY Security Printing Company, based on the plans of graphic artist Attila Bacsó. The new product is available in a folder from 28 July, depending on the availability of stocks, at post offices performing specific philatelic services and at Filaposta, and they can also be ordered from Magyar Posta's webshop.

György Kolonics, two-time Olympic champion and fifteen-time world champion Hungarian canoeist, who won the European championship three times and became Hungarian champion fifty seven times. "He was awarded the Order of Merit of the Hungarian Republic, Officer's Cross and Median Cross. Honorary citizen of Csepel and Budafok-Tétény, perpetual champion of Csepel SC and the Hungarian Kayak-Canoe Federation. His memory is cherished by the György Kolonics Foundation. In Csepel the Hungarian Kayak-Canoe Federation named a water sports centre, while the local authority of Budafok-Tétény named a school after him." – as it can be read on the internal side of the folder containing the commemorative sheet, written by Edvin Csabai, head of the Foundation established to safeguard the memory and the spirit of György Kolonics. The Foundation supports the training of young canoeists in the spirit of the legendary Hungarian sportsman, opens sporting opportunities for children and helps coach training.

The commemorative sheet was printed on gummed stamp paper in ANY Security Printing Company, and it is available only in stamp mount, in an A5-sized exclusive folder. The folder was produced in Magyar Posta Zrt.'s Printing Plant. *The commemorative sheet is not to be used for franking letter post items!*

Source: wikipedia.org; manuscript by Edvin Csabai, head of the György Kolonics Foundation

KOLONICS:

Order code:
4104897 commemorative sheet in a folder

Starting date of sales in post offices:
28 July 2016

Selling price: HUF 1 500

Printing technique: offset

Number of copies: 4 000

Cut size of commemorative sheet:
90x60 mm

Size of perforated image:
40x30 mm

Paper type:
gummed stamp paper

Produced by: ANY Biztonsági Nyomda Nyrt.

Photograph: Péter Szalmás

Designed by:
Attila Bacsó