



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Wellington Pumpkinfest weigh off results.
- 2011 PECPG seed sale.
- GVGO Premium seed pack sale.

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Prince Edward County Pumpkin Growers Fall Newsletter

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FALL 2011

It's a World Record!

What started out looking like the worst day in the history of Wellington Pumpkinfest turned out to be our greatest day ever! Jim & Kelsey Bryson of Ormestown, Quebec rolled into town, with what was to be a pumpkin for the record books.

The day started out with a cold wind and rain mixed with sleet and then it got really nasty. It was soon obvious that the weighoff was in serious jeopardy. The Huffman family jumped to the rescue, offering the use of their machine shed at their nearby farm. Despite having to tear everything down and relocate, the weighoff started only slightly off schedule.

Most of us hadn't seen Jim and Kelsey's beast as they were near the last to roll in. A wave of excitement quickly rippled through the crowd of growers and spectators as word of the great pumpkin spread.

There was talk of a possible World Record at Wellington all day but many were looking at Russ Landry's big tomato. Many expected it would at

least be a Canadian record. The weighoff progressed with the best display of giant vegetables ever at Wellington. New site records were set in Sunflower, Watermelon, and Tomato. We also had a new exhibition category, Giant Cabbage, with an excellent personal best by Phil and Jane Hunt at 69 lbs! As the day crept on, the tension continued to build. Finally it was time to hook up the big one. The tractor tires were almost flat as they **inched the beast to the scales....The crowd went silent as the judges inspected the giant fruit.** After a close inspection, Judge Chris Lyons finally gave his thumbs up. John Vincent covered the scale read out with his clipboard as the pumpkin was lowered on the scale. Reading the numbers backwards, .5, 8, 1.....**total silence as the next digit was unveiled ...8.....the crowd exploded...1818.5 lbs.....a new World Pumpkin! Jim and Kelsey had brought the record back to Canada!**



The Winners Circle



Above Glen Huffman, Bill Greer Memorial award winner for largest pumpkin grown in Prince Edward County, presented by John Vincent.



Clock wise from above: Jim and Kelsey Bryson with the 1818.5 WR pumpkin, Al Eaton 121.75" Long Gourd, Shannon Langridge with her 202 7/8" Sun Flower, Chris Lyons with his 97 lb Field Pumpkin, Phil Hunt with his 877 lb Squash, The "Coach" Russ Landry with his 5.41lb Tomato, Bryan Mailey with his 206.5 lb Watermelon, Dan Langridge with his 800.5 lb Howard Dill award winner.





More Highlights!



Good Times...Good Friends...Big Pumpkins...



Wellington Official Results



Mark your Calendars
for the 16th annual
Wellington Pumpkinfest
October 20th, 2012!

Pumpkins

1.	Jim and Kelsey Bryson	Ormstown, QC	1818.5
2.	Brant & Brandon Timm	Pembroke, ON	1360.0
3.	Harley Sproule	Ormstown QC	1294.0
4.	Phil Joynson	Enniskillin, ON	1233.0
5.	Phil & Jane Hunt	Cameron ON	1167.5
6.	Todd Kline	Shawville QC	1142.0
7.	Glen Huffman	Ameiliasburg, ON	1048.5
8.	Greg Montgomery	Port Carling, ON	1046.0
9.	Russ Landry	Thornton ON	1030.0
10.	John Matesa	Breslau, ON	937.0
11.	John Vincent	Picton, ON	889.5
12.	Dan Langridge	Picton, ON	800.5
13.	Chris Lyons	Scarborough, ON	797.5
14.	Kirk Chenier	Lakefield, ON	777.0
15.	Shannon Langridge	Picton, ON	745.4
16.	Sue Vincent	Picton, ON	743.5
17.	David Leeworthy	Ameiliasburgh, ON	700.5
18.	Sarah Langridge	Picton, ON	692.5
19.	Annette Langridge	Picton, ON	687.0
20.	Bryan Mailey	Udora, ON	637.5
21.	Elmer Daley	Wellington, ON	620.0
22.	Cliff Webb	Seely's Bay, ON	606.5
23.	Noah McGill	Picton, ON	460.0
24.	Josh McGill	Picton, ON	289.0
25.	Isaac Krentz	Consecon, ON	185.0
	EXH Gerry Cavanagh	Ennismore, ON	1290.5 dmg
	EXH John Vincent	Picton, ON	546.0 2nd entry

Squash

1.	Phil & Jane Hunt	Cameron ON	877.0
2.	Brant & Brandon Timm	Pembroke, ON	542.0
3.	Sarah Langridge	Picton, ON	525.0
4.	Joe Burley	Picton, ON	332.0

Long Gourd

1.	Al Eaton	Richmond, ON	121.75"
2.	Cathy Craig	Richmond, ON	120.38"
3.	Phil & Jane Hunt	Cameron ON	113.44"
4.	Bryan Mailey	Udora, ON	110.13"
5.	Todd Kline	Shawville, QC	106.94"
6.	John Nieuwenhoff	Georgetown, ON	101.0625"



Tomato

1. Russ Landry	Thornton, ON	5.41 lbs
2. Brant & Brandon Timm	Pembroke, ON	3.91 lbs
3. Chris Lyons	Scarborough, ON	3.65 lbs
4. Glen Huffman	Ameliasburgh, ON	1.51 lbs
EXH Russ Landry	Thornton, ON	3.85 lbs
EXH Brant & Brandon Timm	Pembroke, ON	3.71 lbs
EXH Chris Lyons	Scarborough, ON	3.23 lbs

Watermelon

1. Bryan Mailey	Udora, ON	206.5 lbs
2. Phil & Jane Hunt	Cameron, ON	174.0 lbs
3. Dave Leeworthey	Ameliasburgh, ON	148.5 lbs
4. Kaleigh Leeworthey	Ameliasburgh, ON	141.0 lbs
5. John Matesa	Breslau, ON	93.0 lbs
6. Kirk and Jacob Chenier	Lakefield, ON	91.5 lbs
7. Shannon Langridge	Picton, ON	69.1 lbs
8. Gladys Webb	Seeley`s Bay, ON	60.5 lbs

Field Pumpkin

1. Chris Lyons	Scarborough, ON	88.6 lbs
2. Al Eaton	Richmond, ON	85.5 Lbs
3. John Vincent	Picton, ON	84.5 lbs
4. Phil & Jane Hunt	Cameron, ON	68.0 lbs
5. John Nieuwenhoff	Georgetown, ON	60.0 lbs
6. Sue Vincent	Picton, ON	59.0lbs
7. Shannon Langridge	Picton, ON	55.0 lbs
8. Dan Langridge	Picton, ON	53.0 lbs
9. Sarah Langridge	Picton, ON	52.0 lbs
10. Annette Langridge	Picton, ON	50.0 lbs

Sunflower Results

1. Shannon Langridge	Picton, On	202 7/8"
2. Dan Langridge	Picton, ON	186 1/4"
3. Sarah Langridge	Picton, ON	181 1/5"
4. Cliff Webb	Seely`s Bay, ON	178 3/8"
5. Annette Langridge	Picton, ON	175 3/16"

Cabbage Results

1. Phil Hunt	Cameron, ON	69.0 lbs
2. John Nieuwenhoff	Georgetown, ON	41.0 lbs



Mark your Calendar's for the 14th annual International Giant Pumpkin Growers Convention in Niagara Falls Canada

March 9-11 2012

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Pruning, Atlantic Giant Pumpkin (AGP) Plants for Competition in 2012.

By Russ Landry

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lets read!

What's Fractal
Growth Linus?



To be a successful grower of Atlantic Giant Pumpkins (AGP) for competition, extensive use of pruning must be practiced in order to concentrate the plants resources to a single fruit. Novice and seasoned Growers must learn that wielding a sharp knife blade is a skill that is learned over time and often can be done poorly.

There are many ways and reasons why pruning is necessary to the rapidly growing giant pumpkin plant. The firstly to control the wild haphazard growth of naturally crossing vines and leaves. Secondly pumpkin plants will begin to produce third or tertiary vines from each side vine leaf junction. This additional vine growth begins to rob the developing plant and pumpkin of vital nutrients. Ultimately reducing daily weight gains and yields are the result of this chaotic growth. Grower needs to quickly remove these vines on a frequent basis.

Most established growers can devote up to an hour each day pruning training and burying pumpkin vines of a single plant in late June and early July. This type of hard work can force an **AGP to tip the scales past 1000 or more pounds by summer's end. This time consuming chore** is done every few days. Pruning a plant and shaping it to grow in odd shapes such as the Christmas Tree, Spider or Pitch Fork Patterns. Plants of this type typically occupy 5-800 square feet or more and spread out at a furious pace in all directions at up one foot per day.

Recent research suggests that a Fractal growth type of pattern may result in increased weight gains and fruit size. Fractal growth patterns of the AGP are basically replicating the shape and vein structure of the leaf in a pruned and fully developed plant. This new pattern results in a plant that effectively mimics the shape and structure of a fully developed leaf in a full grown canopy. However this technique is theoretical and largely unproven, Mother Nature and studies provide evidence that results may surprise growers.

Harnessing this fast paced growth is the key to obtaining a nice plump Pumpkin. A well balanced healthy and symmetrical plant often supports weight gains that can exceed 40 and up to an incredible 50 pounds per day has been observed in locally grown plants.

Here are 10 tips to get you there:

1. Size is critical. Whatever pattern is chosen growers need to cultivate the largest plant possible within the shortest time possible. Although this seems contradictory with all the required pruning a grower can fashion a large plant by harnessing and optimizing growth.
2. Protect the plant in a heated hoop house early in the season. Providing a micro climate for as long as possible allows for vine growth during cool spring nights and often dreary day time weather.



Fractal Growth plant pruning patterns that mimic nature, may be the key to increased weights!

3. Allow a single main vine to grow 30 feet or more long and side vines 10 to 15 feet long or more. A nice symmetrical shape is best with side vines growing at 120 to 150* degree or more behind the crown.
4. Remove all tertiary or 3rd vine growth from the secondary leaf node junctions of each side vine. Note: Fractal patterns allow for some 3rd vines that are controlled in a branching growth pattern.
5. Grow the largest leaves possible. Large flat leaves are better at converting the sun's energy and achieve higher levels of maximum photosynthesis.
6. Plants should be as large as possible by pollination time. You do not want to waste any of the **plants energy in growing leaves, shoots and or roots. Developing fruit demand the lion's share** of nutrients to increase in size. Halt all new shoot and vine growth as soon as possible after fruit have set on the plant.
7. Remove all tendrils As Soon As Possible. Pruning extensively stimulates a growth response controlled by the plants internal hormones. This technique is often referred to as wounding injury or layering.
8. Bury and dibble all vines using imported or parent soil materials that are free of disease and damaging nematodes. Dribbling refers to forming a small depression or shallow trench under the vine and node. Vines can be buried with 2 inches or more of soil. Treat each leaf node as a separate plant in itself. Sprinkle at each node kelp meal, humic acid and mycorrhizal fungi.
9. Water in each node as you would a separate transplant with a fresh brew of bacterial and fungal compost or worm teas. This will help to quickly encourage fresh root growth from each node. Feed immediately with molasses, syrups or fructose types of sugars supplemented with fulvic acids and calcium or magnesium micro nutrients.
10. Quickly prune away any new growth that occurs in late August or early September. Large fruit need all of this energy continue to growing well into the later part of September.

Using these 10 simple rules growers should be able to reach one thousand pounds with plants that are grown in good loamy soil that contain elevated levels of organic matter approaching 10%. Pruning plants usually begins in early June and peaks by the end of the month and lessening off by mid July.

You simply can't grow a large competition pumpkin without a lot of time and effort. If you don't have the time to spend on each plant don't grow it. One less plant grown will focus your attention on the others and increase your chances of going big.

Russ Landry, affectionately known as "The Coach" of the GVGO, has been growing AGP's competitively for 9 years. Russ's on going research has led to developments in the use of Calcium, Fulvic Acid and the treatment of irrigation water.

Pssst....
John's Sleeper Seed
 for 2012
1032 Lyons 11
 Female: 925 Lyons
 Male: 1161 Rodonis

This pumpkin was pollinated July 15th, only 77 days old at harvest. This was Chris's best pumpkin this year, from his new patch busted out of sod this spring. The pollinating plant grew Phil and Jane Hunt's 1464.8, which also got stopped by an early frost. The 925 moma was an underplanted seed. It was 1689 Jutras x 985 Werner. It has grown 1291 +18%, 1035 +15%, and a 907 +8%.

Available as part of the 2011 Promo Seed Package!



Jim and Kelsey Bryson go to New York!

By John Vincent

Within Moments of Jim and Kelsey's pumpkin winning the world record I was on the phone with Dave Stelts, President of the GPC. Dave was quick to offer his congratulations to the Bryson's, then he said to me..."get that pumpkin to New York City!"

For the last several years the top three pumpkins in North America have been hauled to the Botanical Gardens in the Bronx, New York, for a great exhibition. This year was going to be special, it was the first pumpkin from Canada to be invited down. The first three pumpkins were already on route the day of the Wellington weigh off. Our event being so late, it was decided last minute to include the 4th pumpkin and the new World Record.

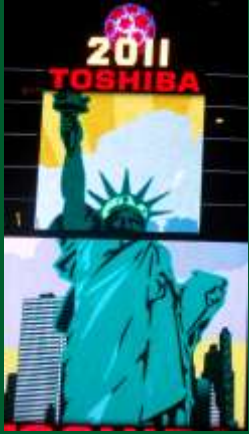
Jim was a little nervous about making the trip to the big city so he asked me if I would be willing to make the trip with them and drive the pumpkin down. I accepted the challenge, I found a spot to store the massive fruit inside for the week before it was time to start the journey. My employer was good enough to let me use my company truck.

The big day arrived and I was off bright and early at 5 AM. The trip down was uneventful, other than stopping several times to tighten straps, pose for pictures and answer the usual questions...did you win? Is it real? Most were astonished to find out it was the largest pumpkin in the world.

I new I was getting close when I hit the New Jersey Turn Pike. The thought of all the heavy traffic was a little intimidating, but it turned out to be no worse than a trip to Toronto. Just a whole lot bigger!

I arrived at the Botanical Gardens in great shape. Jim, Kelsey and Jason Bryson along with Harley Sproule, were all there at the gates to wave me in. We spent a couple hours at the gardens, before hopping a train to Grand Central Station in Manhattan and then on to our hotel.

We spent the next day at the Gardens as it was media day. The growers had several interviews with the various TV and newspapers. Otherwise the day was uneventful, until we caught the train back to Manhattan. We had just boarded and left the station, when someone said.."Where's Harley? "



Above, The New Years ball In time Square!



Below Jim and Kelsey, pose with the growers of the other 3 largest pumpkins in North America, From the left, Gloria & Leonardo Urena, Dave Stelts, Brant Bordson, Elenor Bordson, Carol Stelts, Left, the 1818 arrives at the Botanical Gardens. Lower left, Jim and Kelsey enjoy the night life in Time Square.



There was no sign of Harley Sproule. Dave immediately called Karen Dobman, our hostess at the Botanical gardens and put out an APB for Harley. Oh my...lost in New York! We arrived back at the hotel and shortly after got a phone call from the gardens that security had located Harley. Karen got him on the train and he made his way back to the hotel safe and sound.

That evening we walked down to Rockefeller Centre and Time Square. All I can say is what a place! Defiantly the center of US culture. Between the lights, the masses of people, street vendors, and vagrants, you really do get to see it all. Definitely a must see in New York.

Friday morning, Jim and Kelsey had to get up early for their appearance on the Regis and Kelly Show. We spent the remainder of the day site seeing in Manhattan, visiting Battery Park and overlooking the Statue of Liberty. We then walked up to Ground Zero, only to find out we had to had tickets to get into the memorial which had to be booked on line. I immediately got on my Blackberry and after about a half hour of **being repeatedly kicked off the site, managed to book tickets for that evening...Isn't technology wonderful!**

We stopped along the way for some authentic New York Italian Pizza and panzerotti. Really Good!!!

We then walked up through the financial district taking in some of the early stages of the Occupy Movement's sit-in. A short subway ride uptown, lead us to the Empire State Building. We went to the top where we had an outstanding view of New York.



Friday Night after dinner at the Bubba Gump Shrimp Company, we when back down to see the Ground Zero memorial. This was a highlight of the trip for me. There are two fountains which cover the entire foot print of the twin tower buildings. The fountains are surrounded by black granite, in which is carved the names of all who were lost. A very beautiful and peaceful place.

Saturday Morning we were back to the Botanical Gardens to see the world renowned pumpkin carver, Ray Villafane, carve the World Record. The carving is of zombies hatching out of an egg. The Zombies were actually carved the night before out of Brant and Eleanor Bordson's pumpkin. The Urena and Stelts Pumpkins were carved later in the week.



After a nice lunch, it was time for me to head back to Canada. On the way in, I had met up with Dave and Carol Stelts and they had led me into the gardens, on the way out however, I was on my own. All I can say is thank God for GPS!

We all had a great time in New York, even Harley, who now think he needs a cell phone. I really appreciated the opportunity to go, it was a once in a lifetime experience for me. Thanks Jim and Kelsey for inviting me along!

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PECPG 2011 Seed Sale



2011 Seed Package:

2 seed **1382 Bryson 11 DMG**
Female: 1419 Bryson
Male: 1725 Harp

Note: The one that got away, this pumpkin was growing faster than Jim's 1818 World record. It went down to a pin hole in a rib. Male pollinator grew 1657 lbs!

2 seeds **1312 Sproule 11**
Female: 1185 Kline 09
Male: 1468 Stevens 10

Note: Harley's favorite 2011 pumpkin.

2 seeds **1233 Joynson 11**
Female: 1012 Matesa
Male: 1229 Sundin

Note: Phil's personal best. 14% Heavy! The pollinating plant grew 1206.4, +6%. A great genetic package here.

1 seeds **1166 Chappelle 11**
Female: 1404 Bryson
Male: 1350 Starr

Note: Grown from the same seed as the 1818 Bryson World Record, this pumpkin went an amazing 24% heavy! A personal best for second year grower Terry Chappelle.

2 seeds **1142 Kline 11**
Female: 1185 Kline 09
Male: 1725 Harp 09

Note: +9% Heavy and a very cool cross.

2 seeds **1048 Huffman 11**
Female: 979 Huffman 09
Male: 1610 Lieber 10

Note: 2011 Bill Greer memorial award winner for largest pumpkin grown in Prince Edward County! Crossed with the Beautiful red-orange 1610 Lieber!

2 seeds **1046 Montgomery 11**
Female: 1185 Kline 09
Male: 1566 Rodonis

Note: This pumpkin was grown in a new and virtually unamended patch. The pollinating plant grew Greg's 1641.

2 seeds **1032 Lyons 11**
Female: 925 Lyons
Male: 1161 Rodonis

Note: Pollinated July 15th. Only 77 days old at harvest. Chris's best pumpkin this year from his new patch busted out of sod this spring. The pollinating plant grew Phil and Jane Hunt's 1464.8.

Only 50 of the above sets are being offered.

Proven Seeds Available

In addition to the promo packs we are offering a limited number of seeds available to purchase individually. These will be distributed on a first come first serve basis. Please remember to add \$5 per order for postage and handling.

1451.5 Sundin 09

Female: 1229 Sundin 08

Male: 1343 Lyons 08

Note: 2nd largest Pumpkin Grown in Canada in 2009, Pollinator grew new European Record 1410 Meier +5% (Switzerland). \$20/ seed

1343 Lyons 08

Female: 1385 Jutras 07

Male: 1470 Wallace 07

Note: Grew 1410 Meier 09, Swiss Pumpkin Record, and 3 others over 1000 lbs first year out! \$20/ seed

1229 Sundin 08

Female: 1263 Pitura 07

Male: 1388 LaRue 07

Note: Grew 1451.5 Sundin, second largest pumpkin in Canada in 2009 \$20/ seed

1185 Kline 09

Female: 1385.5 Jutras 07

Male: 985 Werner 06

Note: Grew 1489.6 Kline 10, 8% Heavy. 2nd largest pumpkin grown in Canada in 2010. This seed was part of the 2009 seed package. Lots of 1185 Genetics in this year's sale! \$20/ seed

Proven 1059.6 Vincent-McGill 09

Orange Female: 993.6 Vincent-McGill 08

Producer Male: 904 Stelts 06

Note: Howard Dill and Bill Greer Memorial Award winners. Super Orange, and very symmetrical pumpkin. Pollinating plant grew the current PEC record 1339.5 lb +9%. Germination on this seed is excellent, but the seeds themselves are very ugly with some dark staining. Considered the #1 big orange producer in the World! \$50/ seed

Proven 993.2 Vincent-McGill 08

Orange Female: 772 Poirier 06

Producer Male: 998 Pukos 05

Note: Dark red orange and perfectly shaped and 2% heavy, pollinating plant grew 1170 lbs. Howard Dill Award Winner! Moma of the 1059! Proven HD award producer. \$20/ seed

Old Stock Proven Seeds:

We still have some stock of the following:

1378 Pitura 07, 1263 Pitura 07, 1012 Pitura 06 or 850 Slusarek 07.

\$5.00 per seed

Proven Squash Seeds**1132 Vincent-McGill 08 ***

Female: 995 Vincent-McGill 07 *

Male: 824 Brunst 05 *

Notes: Grew 1037 Sundin 09*, Average top 5 variance 11.76% heavy \$10.00/ seed

905 Vincent-McGill 09 *

Female: 1132 Vincent-McGill 08*

Male: 800 Neily 07*

Notes: Reverse cross of the 1236* World Record. Grew the 1263.2* for Team Heavy East, 2nd largest squash ever grown. \$30.00/ seed

PECPG 2011 Seed Sale....continued!



Proven Squash Seeds

1236 Vincent-McGill 09 *

Female: 800 Neily 07 *

Male: 1132 Vincent-McGill 08*

Notes: 2009 World Record Squash, 9% heavy. Pollinator's top 5 average +11.76%.

\$20.00/ seed

877 Hunt 11 *

Female: 848 Mackenzie *

Male: Self

Notes: Could very well be better than the original 848*. Guaranteed to produce a dark green squash!

\$10.00/ seed

Promising Seeds

1657 Bryson 11

Female: 1725 Harp 09

Male: 1468 Stevens 10

Note: Jim's #2 pumpkin in 2011. Grown on the 2009 WR seed crossed with the reverse cross of the 2010 WR 1810

Stevens. \$40.00/ seed

1650 Sproule 11

Female: 1421 Stelts

Male: 1185 Kline 09

Note: This pumpkin was huge, measuring 446" and the second largest pumpkin of all time! \$40.00/ seed

1641 Montgomery 11

Female: 1566 Rodonis

Male: 1185 Kline 09

Note: Personal best for 2nd year grower, Greg Montgomery. \$40.00/ seed

1430 Kline 11

Female: 1264 Kline

Male: 991 Urena

Note: Another 1400 lb pumpkin from Orange Jacket holder, Todd Kline \$30.00/ seed

1329 Hunt 11 dmg

Female: 1080 Hunt 10

Male: 1161 Rodonis

Note: This could be our most promising seed of the 2011 crop. This pumpkin was on a world record pace before going down in mid August. Pollinating plant grew 1464.8! \$20.00/ seed

1294 Sproule 11

Female: 1468 Stevens 10

Male: 1185 Kline 09

Note: The 1468 Stevens is the reverse cross of the 2010 WR 1810. Crossed with the popular 1185 Kline. \$20.00/ seed

1133.5 Kline 11

Female: 991 Urena 05

Male: 1725 Harp 09

Note: +5.2%, the 991 Urena is the same cross as the 998 Pukos and has been producing very big pumpkins. Crossed with the 1725 Harp, 2009 WR. \$20.00/ seed

1002 Kline 11

Female: 1404 Bryson 09

Male: 991 Urena 05

Note: +8.62% heavy, grown from the same seed as the 1818 World record. Excellent cross. \$10.00/ seed

1419.4 Bryson 10 DMG

Female: 985 Werner

Male: 1421 Stelts 2009

Notes: This Pumpkin was disqualified due to a soft spot that developed in the side of the fruit. 21% heavy, weighed 2 weeks after harvest. This pumpkin had a low seed count. The pumpkin on the pollinating plant went down in early September due to damage from a portable heater. It estimated 1476 lbs and still gaining 14 lbs per day! \$30.00 / seed

All are subject to availability. We reserve the right to limit quantities on some seeds. All seeds are inspected and are of #1 quality, unless otherwise noted. We do our best to provide excellent quality seeds, however we cannot guarantee the germination of.

To order seeds, please send an e-mail to John Vincent at: j.vincent@explornet.ca or phone: 613-476-0405, requesting your set and/ or any proven seeds you would like. Then await a return e-mail giving you confirmation that your seeds have been reserved for you. At that time you will be given instructions for mailing your cheque or money order, and the total of your purchase, or if you prefer a PayPal invoice will be issued.

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GVGO News



GVGO 2012 memberships are due January 1st. Membership continues to be \$25 individual or \$35 family.

Membership includes:

- Full Voting Privileges, with eligibility to hold office for Ontario Members.
- Entry into club seminars & meetings
- 10% discount on soil analysis from [A&L Canada Labs](#) in London, Ontario
- Seed giveaway - (a nice big envelope of seeds)
- 3 newsletters/ year
- Entry into patch tours
- Eligible for the GVGO trophy's, awards, contests and prize money.

Go to our membership button on the main page of the web site to sign up on at the web site.

GVGO Premium Seed Pack Sale.

After such a stellar year in GVGO land, our club has decided to put together a premium seed pack containing 14 seeds from the top pumpkins weighed at GVGO weigh offs in 2011.

These packs will be sold for \$160 each US or CDN funds.

We are also offering a premium pack of giant tomato seeds. This pack contains 25 seeds from some of the top GVGO Tomato's. The price is \$60 per pack

Please go to the web site to view full seed sale details.

GVGO Spring Seminar

Planning is in the works for the 2012 annual GVGO Spring Seminar. **This year's seminar will be hosted by The PECPG.** Tentatively to be held April 14th at the Demorestville Community Hall, near Wellington Ontario. Guest speakers will include Jim Bryson and Harley Sproule.

All PECPG Club members welcome! Please watch the web sites for more details. Or contact John Vincent at:

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