



## IPGA 2024 Almost Spring Update

### IPGA 2024 Seed Auction

March 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:00 P.M. Eastern

[Bigpumpkins.com](https://www.bigpumpkins.com) Chat Room

Hello Fellow Growers! We have almost made it. It has been warm and official Spring is right around the corner, which means the new growing season is fast approaching us. We hope that your winter has been good.

As we move towards spring we have a multitude of updates to share about the upcoming season.

### 2024 Spring Meeting

March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. @

The Jetty Center @ Community Farm  
1701 Medical Arts BLVD  
Anderson, IN 46011

The meeting will feature some great guest speakers that include John Pritchard from Ohio (Grew 2140 in 2023). Steve Strickler who set the Indiana Record at 2054 in 2023, Indiana's first 2k pound fruit! Todd Frierhood who obliterated the best 3 fruit weight ever for Indiana, old best was 4031 pounds between 3 fruit, Todds 3 fruit in 2023 totaled 5227 pounds with the largest weighing 1964 pounds! We will also have many other topics to discuss along with seed raffles, and a free lunch.

### Spray Program

**Mikkal Hodge** will once again be offering a spray program specifically designed for the giants that we grow. Each kit contains enough product to spray a 1,000 square foot area for whole growing season. This includes root drench fungicides, foliar fungicides, and 4 insecticides giving your plants the best protection possible. Each kit will cost **\$70** for the 2024 season. This cost includes the products, a custom calendar, and in-season help from Mikkal whenever it's needed. Please contact Mikkal @317-374-4189 or [pumpkinmike@gmail.com](mailto:pumpkinmike@gmail.com) to order your kit(s).

### 2024 Pumpkin Contests

August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Expected Indiana State Fair contest date. Check website for more information

September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Hodge Family Farm, Alexandria, Indiana, GPC Sanctioned Event

October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Fair Oaks Farm, Fair Oaks, Indiana, GPC Sanctioned Event

October 19<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Pennville Pumpkin Festival, Pennville, Indiana, Non-GPC Event

Check out [www.IPGA.us](http://www.IPGA.us) for more information