

Spring 2020 IPGA Update

Hello Giant Vegetable Growers! We hope the winter has been well to you and your family. While winter was mild in many respects, it has still been long. Lets get into the update.

Our annual auction was held on January 18th. We had 50 lots to sell, 36 of those lots were purchased by IPGA members! Thank you for supporting the club. In total we raised just over \$1800 for the club. These funds help fund prize money for all competition categories other than the giant pumpkins. They also pay the GPC site fees and website fees.

The annual spring meeting will be held on March 21st at Beck's Hybrids in Atlanta, Indiana. The meeting is scheduled to run from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. We have also planned a tour of the research greenhouses at Beck's for 8:30 A.M. prior to the official meeting start time. Anyone is welcome to attend the greenhouse tour. This meeting will feature a guest speaker from A&L labs in Fort Wayne as well as our board elections. We really hope everyone can attend and vote for your board. I have attached the spring meeting agenda.

Special Products:

Wallace Wow

Ron Wallace has sent me his special pricing and a letter to growers that is attached to this email. If you would like to order from Ron's club special list, please let us know. These products need to be placed and paid in 1 order with 1 check for payment. Mikkal Hodge will facilitate any orders for these products.

Mikkal Hodge has put together a spray program designed for giant pumpkins that can be used on and other competitive vegetable we have competitions for. It is not intended to be used on produce that will be consumed. Each kit will include enough product to manage 1,000 square feet for 1 growing season. There will be 2 new products in the kit this season. Both are meant to help with phytophthora. The kits will cost \$60 each. Orders need to be placed with Mikkal by March 21st.

GPC Shows

- The Indiana State Fair contest should be August 15th, 2020.
- Wasson Nursery will host a contest on September 26th, 2020.
- Fair Oaks Farms will host a contest on October 3rd, 2020.

Once dates are confirmed for non-GPC shows we will share them with them club.

Thank you for reading the update. If you have questions, please reach out to any board member for assistance.

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www.ipga.us