

August 9, 2015 Summer Meeting

Thank you to our southern growers, Dan and Holly Boyce, Don and Donna Parker, Mike, Traci and Zoey Cole, and Wendy and Huey Cadieux for sharing their patches. A caravan of 18 cars, with visitors from 4 states and 1 Canadian province, wound their way along the dirt roads of Benson, Castleton, and Poultney. Wendy and Huey Cadieux, thank you for sharing in addition to your patch, your hospitality. A beautiful spread complete with entertainment and photo ops. A great time was had by all.

Meeting Business

1. Reviewed Board's earlier decisions: Not pursuing non-profit status
2. Fair Dates
 - a. Champlain Valley Exposition (CVE) Thursday, August 27th. Expected to bring pumpkins Kevin, Wilbur, Steve, Mike, and John
 - b. Vermont State Fair Friday, September 4th. Prize moneys have been reduced
3. Matt's Experiment
Email Matt with feedback and results matt@teampumpkin.org
4. Bus Tour Next Year?
 - a. Consider a map/addresses of route for participants
 - b. Price out bus rentals for next year
5. Vermont State Weigh-Off
 - a. Plan to weigh vegetables, exhibition pumpkins before 1:00
 - b. Begin with Junior grower weigh-in at 1:00
 - c. Include a "Guess the Weight" pumpkin (50/50 money or pumpkin to winner, create a entry form)
 - d. Kevin will get in touch with Mazza's to inquire about MC equipment rentals (John will MC)

Respectfully submitted by Kerry Young