

DEPARTMENT 14A - GIANT VEGETABLES

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Requirements for Entering:

1. Exhibitors must read and comply with all **Fair Rules and Regulations**, located on page 3, for participation in the Woodstock Fair.
2. Only one entry per exhibitor is allowed in each lot.
3. Entry must be grown by the exhibitor.
4. Receiving day for giant vegetables is **Wednesday, Sept. 2, 4 pm to 8 pm**.
5. In order to be eligible for premiums, entry must remain intact and on display for the duration of the Fair, 9 pm Wednesday to 8 pm Monday.
6. Entries in this lot may be picked up during the day on Tuesday, Sept. 8. If needed, forklift assistance will be available 4:30 pm -7:00 pm.
7. Entries not removed by 7:30 pm on Tuesday, September 8, become the property of the Woodstock Fair unless the Exhibitor has made prior arrangements with the Superintendents.

Class A Great Pumpkin

PREMIUMS: 1st 3,000.00 2nd 2,000.00 3rd 800.00 4th 700.00 5th 500.00
6th 400.00 7th 200.00 8th 100.00

Ribbons will be awarded to the top 20 entries.

- | Lot No. | Description |
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| 1. | Largest Pumpkin/Green Squash |

Straight judging in this lot.

Requirements for Entering the Great Pumpkin

- It is recommended that entries in lot 1 register by August 15, 2026. In special circumstances, entries in this lot will be accepted until Friday, August 28, 2026.
- Only one official entry is allowed in this lot per exhibitor. Other pumpkins entered by the same exhibitor will be considered as exhibition and will be officially weighed and exhibited but will not be eligible for premiums or awards.
- Entries of 100 pounds and over are encouraged; all are welcome.
- All entries must be healthy and free of rot, holes/cracks that go through to the cavity, chemical or fungicide residue and serious soft spots.
- Pumpkins of all colors are eligible for premiums; ties will be broken based on appearance. If, however, the entry is deemed 100% gray/green in color, the entry will be titled a squash, but will still be eligible for premiums, since the placing is based on weight.
- No previously weighed fruit may be considered for competition.
- All entries will be judged before being weighed in. The decisions of the judges are final.
- Other GPC (Great Pumpkin Commonwealth) entries will be accepted for official documentation and submission (this includes Great Tomatoes), and standard GPC rules will be followed.
- All entries (unless easily moved by two people) must be on a pallet to facilitate the unloading process.



CLASS B

The Massive Watermelon

Sponsored by the Webster Family in memory of John Converse

PREMIUMS: 1st 135.00 2nd 70.00 3rd 35.00

- | Lot No. | Description |
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| 2. | Heaviest Watermelon |

Straight judging in this lot.

Requirements for Entering the Massive Watermelon

- No age restriction to this lot; junior growers are welcome.
- All entries must be healthy, solid and free of rot, visible soft spots and holes.
- No previously weighed entries will be considered.
- If unable to move with two people, entries must be on a pallet.
- Entries not removed by Tuesday, September 8, by 7:30 pm become the property of the Woodstock Fair.



CLASS C

Extensive Long Gourd

Sponsored by the Webster Family in memory of John Converse

PREMIUMS: 1st 75.00 2nd 40.00 3rd 20.00

- | Lot No. | Description |
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| 3. | Longest Long Gourd |

Straight judging in this lot.

Requirements for Entering the Extensive Long Gourd

- Entries of 85 inches and longer are encouraged; all are welcome.
- No age restriction to this lot; junior growers are welcome.
- All entries must be whole, healthy and free of rot and visible soft spots.
- No previously measured entries will be considered.
- Measurements:
 - Long gourd must be on a flat surface that will support the entire length of the gourd.
 - No part of the stem will be considered in the total length.
 - Only metal tape measures will be used in measuring.
 - Measurements will run in a straight line from the base of the stem where it connects to the gourd and follow to the blossom end. Only vertical length is to be measured, no curvature will be counted as additional length.

CLASS D

Giant Tomato

PREMIUMS: 1st 25.00 2nd 12.00 3rd 5.00

- | Lot No. | Description |
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| 4. | Giant Tomato |

Straight judging in this lot.

Requirements for Entering the Giant Tomato

- All tomatoes must be healthy; a healthy tomato must be free of significant soft spots or leakage.
- Skin may be cracked but not leaking.
- Tomato weights must be reported in pounds and ounces to 2nd decimal place (i.e. 4 pounds, 5.53 ounces).
- Stem must be cut within .5 inches of the specimen.
- Green fruit will be allowed for weigh-off purposes.
- Specimen must be weighted on a certified scale of appropriate sensitivity. No frozen specimens will be allowed.