

**2016 NOAFEM Giant Pumpkin Contest Results  
...At AFM Heritage Society's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Fair Sept.10<sup>th</sup>**



The Northern Ontario Agri-Food Education & Marketing's 2016 Annual Giant Pumpkin Contest was one of the key attractions at the AFM Heritage Society's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Fair- thanks to the generous sponsorship of North Crane. No one driving along Regional Rd 24 could miss seeing the Giant Pumpkins suspended high in the air by from their crane! And it was even more impressive to see the nine Giant Pumpkin Entries close up at the fair.

**The Official Results of the 2016 NOAFEM Giant Pumpkin Contest, held at the AFMHS Fall Fair were:** 1<sup>st</sup> Largest Pumpkin - Stephen Smith 982lbs [Val Therese], 2<sup>nd</sup> Most Perfectly Shaped Pumpkin- Terri Ranger 696lbs [Sudbury], 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sarah Woods 577lbs [Markstay], 4<sup>th</sup> Perry Kirkbride 438lbs [Lively], 5<sup>th</sup> Perry 384lbs, 6<sup>th</sup> Perry 239lbs, 7<sup>th</sup> Perry 197lbs, 8<sup>th</sup> Perry 166lbs and 9<sup>th</sup> Smallest Pumpkin -John Leonard 89lbs [Sudbury]. There were no other entries of Giant Pumpkins or Field Pumpkins this year.

**Special thanks from NOAFEM to:**

**Alice & Perry Kirkbride:** Perry helped with the set-up and logistics the day of the fair- as well as creating our **new GIANT Pumpkin Growers sign**. Perry, Alice & I were on site at 7am setting up along with Northern Crane & Chad [operator].And Alice manned Registration/Information Booth.

**Terri Ranger & Sarah Woods:** Terri & Sarah [both Giant Pumpkin Growers] helped with educating the public re: the science, time, hard work, constant care & costs involved with successfully growing Giant Pumpkins, plus assisted Perry and me with the Official Weigh-In.

**Northern Crane & Chad** [crane operator],who really went out of his way to educate spectators & allowed kids to check out the crane.

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