



# *"Niagara Rhodo"* Newsletter of the The Niagara Chapter, Rhododendron Society of Canada June 2010

**Our Purpose:** We are a non-profit organization whose aim is to promote, encourage and support interest in the genus *rhododendron*.. Our goal is to encourage gardeners to grow and appreciate these plants, by providing educational meetings with knowledgeable speakers, access to topical publications and hosting joint meetings with other chapters.

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## Word of Caution

By becoming a successful grower, the reader will be exposed to a contagion for which there is no cure. Once infected with an appreciation of rhododendrons and azaleas most gardeners spend a lifetime collecting these most beautiful of all plants.

H. Edward Reiley



**Plants for Members (P4Ms)  
Saturday, June 5, 10 AM to 2 PM  
Nettlecreek Nursery, Font Hill, ON**

All members are invited to participate in this year's P4M sale. Members include all local members, all ARS members primarily affiliated with Niagara, and all ARS members associated with Niagara.

Plants offered in this event are not commercially available cultivars. They are new hybrids that have been tested by the original hybridizers and have received accolades from a range of respected growers.

Cuttings were taken from plants in members' gardens, or received through generous cooperation from other Chapters.

These cuttings have been professionally rooted and then the rooted cuttings have been grown on by Chapter volunteers. Very few of these cultivars are available in commercial trade.

More than 60 plants, of approximately 50 cultivars, will be available. Many are one of a kind.

Where only one plant is available, but several members wish to own it, a draw will be held so that each interested member will have an equal opportunity to obtain the cultivar.

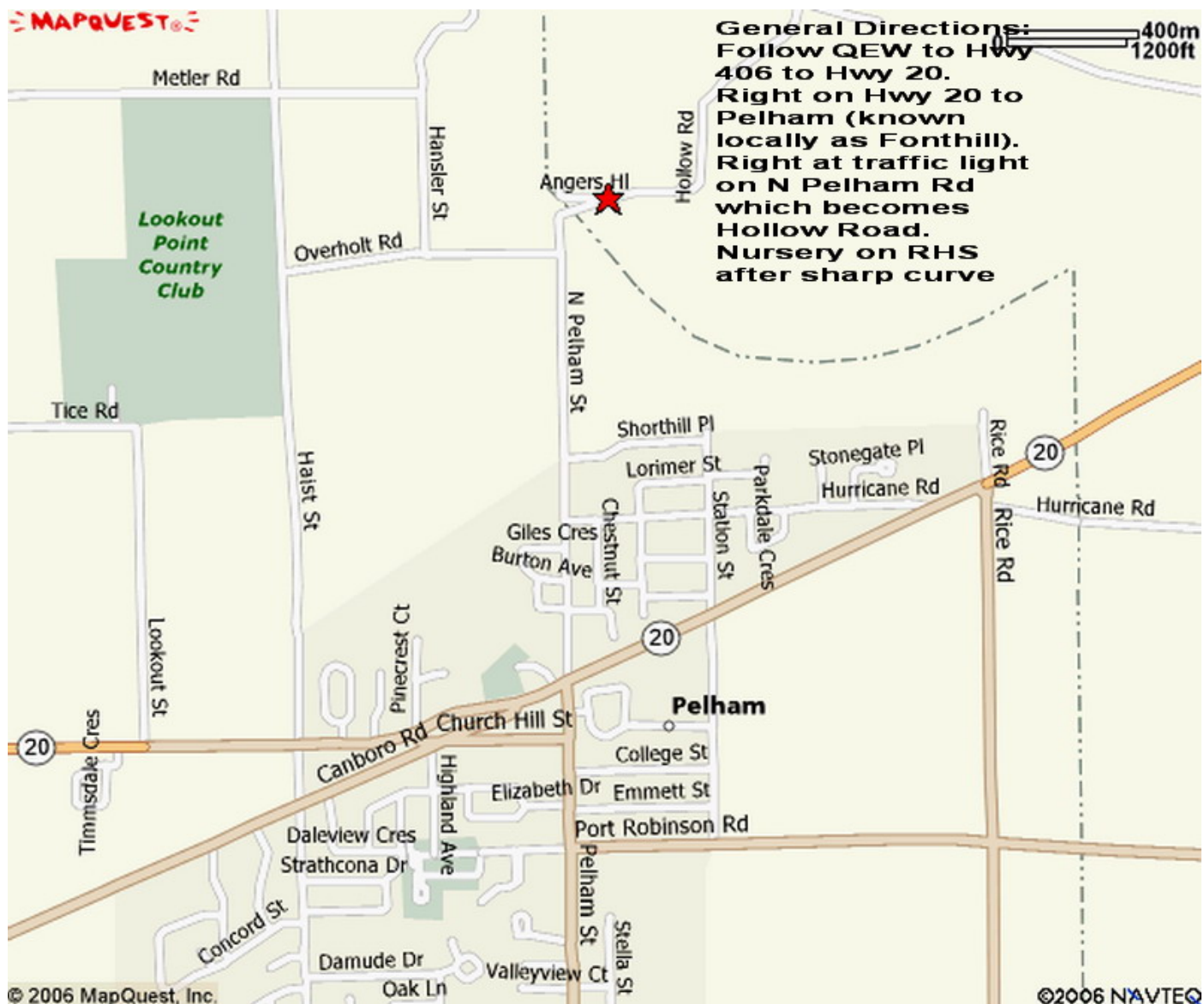
Prices per plant will vary according to size, but will be very close to cost of production.

## There are 3 groups of plants available for members:

1. Those made available by Sally & John Perkins from their own collection. These are now 3 year old plants. For details see the photo gallery in this Newsletter and for more detail visit the web site [http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/2009\\_JSP\\_P4M\\_at\\_Blue\\_Sky.pdf](http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/2009_JSP_P4M_at_Blue_Sky.pdf)

2. Those made available to members by David Hinton. These are Dave Hinton's crosses which also are 3 year old plants. For details visit the web site at [http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/Parents\\_for\\_each\\_cross.pdf](http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/Parents_for_each_cross.pdf)
3. A third group of cultivars was obtained in August 2009 and have been grown locally for one year. This is a unique collection of evergreen azaleas, one lepidote and several excellent elepidotes. These are small plants ideally suited for this area with which ne can build a very colourful collection. While each of the cultivars is a gem, there are a good number of Pink Rosebud evergreen azaleas and the White Rosebud evergreen azalea, developed by Augie Kehr, which merit special attention. See the accompanying photo gallery for images this collection of cultivars. .

## Directions to Nettlecreek Nursery in Fonthill



# P4M's List for P4Ms, June 5, 2010

Version 2.0 May 30, 2010

<p><b>April Reign</b></p> 	<p><b>Arctic Gold</b></p> 	<p><b>Azalea Beni Kirishima</b></p> 	<p><b>Big Deal</b></p> 
<p><b>Blewberry</b></p> 	<p><b>Canobie Cassius</b></p> 	<p><b>Canobie Cadet</b></p> 	<p><b>Canobie Canary</b></p> 
<p><b>Canobie Corsage</b></p> 	<p><b>Canobie Sunset</b></p> 	<p><b>Crater lake</b></p> 	<p><b>Dean Hall</b></p> 
<p><b>degronianom enamotot</b></p> 	<p><b>Dick Brooks</b></p> 	<p><b>Dorothy Swift</b></p> 	<p><b>Holly's late pink</b></p> 
<p><b>Kiusianum multiflora</b></p> 	<p><b>Lavender mist</b></p> 	<p><b>Mackay's Ditch Dweller</b></p> 	<p><b>Mackay's Royalty (fortunei)</b></p> 
<p><b>Mary Belle</b></p> 	<p><b>Minas grand pre</b></p> 	<p><b>Mucronulatum album</b></p> 	<p><b>Mcronulatum crater's edge</b></p> 

 Mucron' m waka mirasaki	 RH nupides	 Palestrina	 Patty Bee
 Pioneer Silver Pink	 Rh degronianum Rae's delight	 Weston's Crescendo	 White Peter
 Rh yahushmanum	 Rh poukhanense pink	 Rh poukhanense lavender	 Angel Powder
 Consolini's Windmill	 Degronianum x roxianum <b>Image Not Available</b>	 K.D.Harris <b>Image Not Available</b>	 Percy Wiseman
 Bixby Evergreen Azalea	 I'll be damned (EGA)	 Rosebud (Pink) (EGA)	 Rosebud (White) (EGA)

Various **Dave Hinton** hybrids are also available. Photographs of these cultivars are not available. Please view images of parents of each cross on the web site at [http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/Parents\\_for\\_each\\_cross.pdf](http://www.rhodoniagara.org/images/Parents_for_each_cross.pdf)

These items are in short supply. They are beautiful, 2 year old cultivars and very hardy, the mother plants having been developed and grown in Orono, south of Peterborough. The parent plants are Brachycarum Tigerstedtii and other hardy beautiful cultivars. Once this collection is distributed it is unlikely they will be offered again.

The cultivars are suitable for any zone 6 or 5 region of Ontario.