

## Growing Vegetables from Seed – January 6, 2011



At our first meeting of 2011, the Greely Gardeners Group enjoyed a presentation by Bill Bitz on **Growing Vegetables from Seed**.

Bill, formerly an organic market gardener and now a landscaper, focused his presentation on growing vegetables from seed. His talk was very informative and entertaining dealing with the entire spectrum of growing vegetables; from establishing and maintaining outdoor beds, including useful tips and tools, as well as preparing a soil mix for seeds and how to start seeds indoors under lights, particularly using large and small soil block makers. Bill provided several handouts including a list of vegetables for shady places and companion planting with vegetables and herbs.

Check back to this page later, we hope that Bill will provide the name of his favourite varieties of the vegetables most commonly ground by home gardeners.

Bill also recommended four books: ***Vegetables from a Country Garden*** by Anstace and Larry Esmonde-White (Published by Lee Valley, 1993); ***How to Grow More Vegetables*** by John Jeavons (Published by 10-Speed Press, California, 1991); ***Four Season Harvest*** by Eliot Coleman (Published by Old Bridge Press, Camden East, 1992); ***Gardening Without Work*** by Ruth Stout (Published by The Lyons Press, 1998).

Bill kindly donated a copy of ***Gardening Without Work*** to our new GGG Library.

In his responses to questions following his presentation, Bill provide the name of his favourite varieties of the vegetables most commonly ground by home gardeners. A more detailed list follows:

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