

Hello AMSPA members, as mentioned in an earlier Newsletter, the Algonquin Maple Syrup Producers Association has been busy working on three educational maple syrup production videos. These are now available and we hope they will be of interest to you and other maple syrup producers.

'Backyard Sugaring' is an introductory video and discusses successful and sound maple syrup production practices used by small-scale maple syrup producers throughout the region.

'Maple Marketing' looks at different options for selling maple products. Interviews with three commercial producers discuss bulk, wholesale and retail sale of maple products.

'Sap Collection', a more technical video, examines various ways of improving sap collection. It deals with working in difficult terrain, sap ladders and lifters, tubing layout, remote collection stations, monitoring systems, and the use of vacuum.

These videos, produced by AMSPA volunteers, highlight successful practices of a number of our local producers.

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To access these videos, simply click on the links provided below. Enjoy!

Backyard Sugaring:	https://youtu.be/Izx8PtqlfW8
Maple Marketing:	https://youtu.be/7yWiKofXI2E
Sap Collection:	https://youtu.be/PCEjijHbnpw