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**2016 Eastern Ontario Garlic Field Day  
 at the Small-Plot Organic Garlic Variety Trials Site**

**Date: Sunday, 26 June 2016 from 09:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**  
**Location: Beaver Pond Estates, 3656 Bolingbroke Road,  
 Maberly, Ontario**

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