



# your Lake County HORTICULTURAL NOTES

JUNE-JULY 1998

## !!! MEETING REMINDERS !!!

### JUNE 26 LAKE COUNTY PEAR SOILS FIELD TOUR

see enclosed agenda, page 2  
Contact: UCCE, 263-6838

### JUNE 30 UCCE AND MENDOCINO USDA AREA-WIDE CODLING MOTH PROJECT FIELD DAY

Contact: Lucia Varela, 463-4607 or UCCE, 463-4495  
see enclosed agenda, page 4

### JULY 9 UC PEAR RESEARCH FIELD DAY

see enclosed agenda, page 3  
Contact: UCCE, 263-6838

## NEW HORT NOTES FORMAT COMING

This will be the final issue of *your Lake County Horticultural Notes*. Beginning next issue, the title will be *your North Coast Orchard Notes*. This reflects advisor reassignments made by UC North Region administration in January 1998, in which pomology for both Lake and Mendocino County will be covered by one advisor (Rachel Elkins), and viticulture for both counties by another advisor (Glenn McGourty). Although the predominant focus of *Orchard Notes* will continue to be pears and walnuts, there will be more attention given to apples and other alternative fruit and nut crops, such as olives, which may be of interest to the region. Suggestions on alternative tree crops to discuss are certainly welcome.

To accompany the new focus on orchard crops, a new subscription form is being formatted and will appear in the next issue. PLEASE fill out this new form by the designated deadline so you will remain on the mailing list.

In the spirit of the new cross-county assignment, we hope to see BOTH Lake and Mendocino growers at all the UCCE functions agendized in this and future newsletters. Contact us with any questions on either the upcoming field meetings or the new commodity reassignments.

Rachel Elkins, Farm Advisor



## LAKE COUNTY PEAR SOILS FIELD TOUR

Friday, June 26, 1998

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by: *U.C. Cooperative Extension* and  
the *Lake County Next Generation Pear Growers*  
(3 hours PCA credit applied for)

- 8:00-8:30 a.m.      **Registration/Coffee** – Holdenried's, 4002 Benson Lane, Kelseyville (signs from Loasa Road); carpool from meeting site
- 8:30                    **Introductions /Announcements**  
Participants: Rachel Elkins, Pomology Farm Advisor, Lake/Mendocino Counties  
Oenes Huisman, Dept. Insect Biology, UC Berkeley  
Erica Lundquist, UCCE, Lakeport  
Rollie Meyer, Extension Soils Specialist, UC Davis  
Larry Schwankl, Extension Irrigation Specialist, UC Davis  
David Smith, USDA-NRCS Soil Scientist, Sacramento  
Cameron Whiting, Dept. Plant Pathology, UC Davis
- 8:40                    **Introduction to Lake County Pear Soil Types and Use of the USDA-NRCS Soil Survey**
- 9:20                    **Big Valley Soils: Clear Lake adobe clay, Cole clay loam**  
- nutritional problems and possible solutions  
- disease problems and possible solutions  
- irrigation strategies to maintain root health and tree vigor  
- QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION ENCOURAGED!
- 10:30                   **travel to Scotts Valley (meet at SVFE, park in east lot)**  
**Scotts Valley soils: Lupoyoma silt loam (Ivicevich), Kelsey fine sandy loam (Adobe Creek)**  
- discussion as above
- 11:45                   **travel to Upper Lake (meet at Seely shop yard)**  
**Upper Lake soils: Lupoyoma silt loam (Seely), Still loam (Moitozo Bros.)**  
- discussion as above
- 12:45                   **Wrap-up**
- 1:00                    **ADJOURN**

**BRING SOIL SURVEYS (if own a copy), KNIVES, HAND LENSES  
PREPARE TO "DIG IN THE DIRT"!**

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# **UC PEAR RESEARCH FIELD DAY**

**Thursday, July 9, 1998**

## **QUERCUS RANCH LABOR CAMP**

**4150 Soda Bay Road; Kelseyville**

### **AGENDA**

**(3 hours PCA Credit applied for)**

- 8:15 a.m. Registration/Coffee**
- 8:45 Welcome/Introductions**
- 9:00 PLANT PATHOLOGY SESSION**
- 1) Fireblight trials**  
Steve Lindow, Dept. Plant & Microbial Biology, UC Berkeley  
Rachel Elkins, UCCE, Lake and Mendocino Counties  
Chuck Ingels, UCCE, Sacramento
  - 2) Pear scab trials**  
Doug Gubler, Extension Plant Pathologist, UC Davis  
Lucia Varela, UCCE North Coast IPM Advisor  
Rachel Elkins
- 10:00 ENTOMOLOGY SESSION**
- 1) Mating disruption of codling moth using "puffers"**  
Harry Shorey, Dept. Entomology, UC Riverside  
Rachel Elkins
  - 2) Codling moth and leafroller control using Lorsban®, Confirm®, and ethephon**  
Bob VanSteenwyk, Extension Entomologist, UC Berkeley  
Rachel Elkins
  - 3) Late season pheromone hanging**  
Rachel Elkins  
Broc Zoller, Pear Doctor, Inc., Kelseyville
- 11:00 Travel to view puffer trial – Holdenried Sanderson Orchard, Soda Bay Road**
- 11:30 Travel to view Campbell Scientific weather station – Rohner Brown Orchard, Park Drive**  
Joyce Strand, Agricultural Meteorologist, UCIPM, Davis  
Marc Walsh, Meteorologist, Weather News, Inc., Chico  
Rachel Elkins
- 12:00 Travel to view 6<sup>th</sup> leaf Bosc training and rootstock trial, Adobe Creek '60' Orchard, Big Valley Road, Finley**  
Rachel Elkins
- 12:45 WRAP-UP AND ADJOURN**

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**UCCE AND MENDOCINO USDA AREA-WIDE CODLING MOTH PROJECT  
FIELD DAY**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 30, 1998

**Time:** 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**Location:** 2401 Ruddick-Cunningham Road  
Ukiah (east from Talmage exit off 101)

**Sponsors:** U.C. Cooperative Extension and USDA Area-Wide Project

**AGENDA:** 9:00 USDA Area-wide Codling Moth Mating Disruption Project update  
*Lucia Varela, North Coast Area IPM Advisor*

10:00 Codling moth and leafroller trials  
*Lucia Varela*  
*Bob Van Steenwyk, UC Extension Entomologist, UC Berkeley*

10:30 UCCE Mendocino fireblight and pear scab projects  
*Rachel Elkins, Pomology Farm Advisor, Lake/Mendocino Cos.*  
*Erin Ruddick, UCCE Mendocino County*

11:00 ADJOURN

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