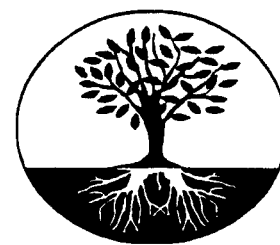


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## your *North Coast* Orchard Notes



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**March 28 2001 LAKE COUNTY WALNUT UPDATE**

Clear Lake Grange, Finley

**May 16 AGRICULTURAL EASEMENT FORUM**

Clear Lake Grange, Finley

March  
2001

### ***PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2001 LAKE COUNTY WALNUT UPDATE***

The 2001 Lake County Walnut Update has been scheduled for the morning of Wednesday, March 28 at the Clear Lake Grange in Finley. The program will feature a topic of great interest, the current energy crisis, as it pertains to agriculture and particularly walnut growing and processing. Another topic of perpetual concern is vertebrate pest management, e.g. squirrels. In addition, there will be presentations on statewide research projects, domestic and international marketing, and an overview of local issues and activities, including the new agricultural easement program to protect Lake County farm lands. Please plan to attend and share with others your concerns and ideas. Walnut prices were up some this year - let us hope there will be some stability these next few years.

### ***CHECK OUT THE LAKE COUNTY WEATHER PAGE***

Internet users should bookmark the Lake County weather page, [www.wxnet.com/lakeco](http://www.wxnet.com/lakeco). This web site contains temperature, humidity, dew point, rainfall and other data from stations in Upper Lake, Scotts Valley, Kelseyville, Red Hills and Middletown. Data is displayed in hourly increments and is real time during frost season. There are many features, with more coming, so take advantage of this valuable resource; contact me if you have questions on its use.

## **2001 LAKE COUNTY WALNUT UPDATE**

**Wednesday, March 28, 2001**

**Clear Lake Grange #680**

**1510 Big Valley Road, Finley**

### **AGENDA**

- 8:30 a.m.**      **Registration, coffee and pastries**
- 9:00**            **Update on Lake County Walnut Growing Issues and Concerns**  
*Rachel Elkins, Pomology Farm Advisor, UCCE, Lake and Mendocino Counties*
- 9:15**            **The Agricultural Easement Program for Lake County Farmland**  
*Rachel Elkins*  
*Greg Dills, District Manager, West Lake Resource Conservation District*
- 9:30**            **Overview of Statewide Walnut Research**  
*Bruce Lampinen, Extension Specialist, UC Davis*
- 10:00**           **BREAK** (refreshments sponsored by Walnut Marketing Board)
- 10:20**           **Vertebrate Pest Biology and Management for Walnut Growers**  
*Desley Whisson, Extension Specialist, UC Davis*
- 11:00**           **Impacts of the Energy Crisis on Walnut Production Costs and Possible Solutions**  
*Paul Wenger, walnut grower and 2nd Vice President, California Farm Bureau Federation*
- 11:30**           **Walnut Marketing Board and California Walnut Commission Activities**  
*Dennis Balint, Executive Director, Walnut Marketing Board, and CEO, Walnut Commission*
- 12:00**           **ADJOURN**