



Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont

An organization of farmers, gardeners, and consumers working to promote an economically viable and ecologically sound Vermont food system

**Answering Questions on the Vegetable Farm:
Conducting Research, Maintaining Records, Evaluating Production Practices
January 5 & 6, 2009
Hulbert Outdoor Center, Fairlee, Vermont**

NOFA Vermont, the University of Vermont Extension, and the Vermont Vegetable and Berry Growers Association will host a two day farmer-to-farmer conference for vegetable farmers. Answering Questions on the Farm: Conducting Research, Maintaining Records, Evaluating Practices, will be held January 5 & 6 at the Hulbert Outdoor Center in Fairlee, Vermont.

The conference is designed to help vegetable farmers improve their operations by answering questions such as: How do you know you are making money? Which record-keeping systems might work best to get and keep you organized? How much does it cost you to grow a crop and what should you charge? How do you determine when to plant and if you need any soil amendments? What farm-related questions would you like answered?

Farmers are invited to join us for two days of presentations and group discussions by many highly experienced and successful vegetable farmers that will share answers these questions and more.

This workshop is designed for intermediate to advanced level farmers with farms of any size farm, and for all types of farming systems (conventional, organic, sustainable, etc.).

Speakers will include Paul & Sandy Arnold of Pleasant Valley Farm in Argyle, NY; David Colson of New Leaf Farm in Durham, ME; and Dan Kaplan of Brookfield Farm in Amherst, MA.

Registration fees are \$120 and include all materials, meals, and lodging.

Participants are asked to pre-register by December 23. For more information, including a registration brochure, visit www.nofavt.org or call 802-434-4122.

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