



News and events below!



To see more of the year gone by at ORC, enjoy our e-card to all our friends:



News

7th ORC Organic Producers Conference: Early bird registration deadline extended to 13:00 24th December

Join us in making producer-led innovation a reality. Now sponsored by Waitrose as well as Triodos Bank.

[More...](#)

Conference detailed programme available:

Includes most speakers and presentation titles [More...](#)

Thirteen ORC conference bursaries available, sponsored by OGA, Dove's Farm and Abbey Home Farm:

Agricultural/horticultural student, apprentices, trainees invited to apply. [More...](#)

Another ORC job vacancy: Research technician (application deadline 4 February)

We are looking for a crops and agroforestry research technician at our Wakelyns Agroforestry site in Suffolk. [More...](#)

ORC Bulletin 111 published:

Winter 2012 issue has been released. [More...](#)

Hedgerow browsing survey:

Do your cattle browse hedges? Tell us about it! [More...](#)

Sustainability training for advisers:

ORC and IOTA participate in international initiative. [More...](#)

SA Soil Symposium:

Coventry event generates fresh ideas. [More...](#)

New report on soil biology:

Managing soil biota to deliver ecosystem services. [More...](#)

OSCAR's First Newsletter published:

Emerging results on couch grass. [More...](#)

SOLID's 2nd Newsletter published:

Latest developments in organic and low-input dairy research. [More...](#)

Sustainability indicators from financial data?

Researchers publish paper on possibilities. [More...](#)

Upcoming events

11 January 2013: Farmer Field Lab Trial

First vegetable varieties meeting. [More...](#)

22-23 January 2013: 7th ORC Organic Producers' Conference, Birmingham

ORC's annual conference outline programme and registration details now available. [More...](#)

13 February 2013: BioFach 2013

World Organic Trade Fair - Where organic people meet! [More...](#)

More about us

ORC has now raised £72k towards its £100k funding appeal: we still need your support

Since June 2012, we've have raised £72k in new funding from trusts and individuals, thanks in particular to a substantial donation from the Tedworth Trust. A very big thank you to all who have provided support so far. We have also received a pledge from our major donor – the Mr & Mrs JA Pye Charitable Settlement – to match new donations totalling at least £25k with an additional £25k. We now also have several part-funded projects where we need match-funding to get them started/keep them going. Our [urgent](#) appeal for additional income to help us meet commitments in 2012 and develop in 2013 therefore continues. [More...](#)

ORC welcomes new Research Communications Officer to the team

[Liz Adams](#) is now working on our research communications and in particular the technical guides for the [Duchy Originals Future Farming Programme](#). Liz previously worked in communications around African agricultural research issues, but has spent the last year working on organic farms around the UK to learn more about organic agriculture in this country.

ORC Council of Management seeks Treasurer to join Trustees.

An individual interested in what we do with financial/accounting experience is being sought. [More...](#)

2011/12 Organic Farm Management Handbook There are still a few copies left of the current edition of the Handbook, stuffed with fact and figures on organic farming. Buy one now! [More...](#)

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Other publications available: A wide range of our research and other publications can be accessed via our website, and some printed versions are available to order. [More...](#)

Participatory research network – join in!

We are developing a network of producers and other businesses to get producer/business-led, participatory research projects off the ground. You can join the network and receive the Handbook and Bulletin as part of the package. [More...](#)

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