

NB We regret that there was no E-Bulletin in March 2012 and apologies if you have received this more than once due to a mailing error. We wish all our readers a Happy Easter.

### NEWS

#### **ORC Bulletin 108 (Spring 2012) published:**

Featuring ORC conference report, biodiversity in agroforestry systems, on-farm lettuce breeding and much more. [More...](#)

#### **Seed exchange networks:**

ORC contributes to review of novel approach to biodiversity conservation... [More...](#)

#### **SOLID on-farm dairy research workshop:**

On the 3rd May, producers are invited to get involved with ideas and projects. [More...](#)

#### **TAP Food Connections conference:**

Transatlantic Project ends with Maine conference. [More...](#)

#### **Healthy agriculture – new ORC project:**

What does healthy soil, plants, animals, people, environment really mean? [More...](#)

#### **Legume workshop highlights benefits of mixtures:**

IOTA's event proves popular and inspiring. [More...](#)

#### **CERTCOST recommendations published:**

Key recommendations on improving organic certification systems now on-line. [More...](#)

#### **New ORC eco-agroforestry publications:**

Two review papers by ORC researchers are published on-line. [More...](#)

#### **Organic crop breeding book published:**

ORC's Thomas Döring and Martin Wolfe contribute chapter on pest and disease management. [More...](#)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **17 April 2012 - IFOAM EU Congress: Smart change:**

IFOAM EU Group's 6th European Organic to debate policy change needed for CAP [More...](#)

#### **19 April 2012 - First Solibam Stakeholder Congress, Rome:**

Shaping the future of agriculture: The role of diversity in low-input and organic cropping systems. [More...](#)

#### **3 May 2012 - SOLID on-farm dairy research workshop, Chepstow:**

Producers invited to get involved with ideas and projects for on-farm dairy research. [More...](#)

#### **24 May 2012 - Trees, farms and ecosystem services conference, Bangor:**

Farm Woodland Forum meeting to explore role of farm woodlands in delivering ecosystem services. [More...](#)

#### **28 June 2012 - ORC Wakelyns Agroforestry Open Day, Fressingham:**

See the latest ORC research in progress at our Suffolk site. [More...](#)

#### **5 July 2012 - OF&G National Organic Cereals 2012:**

ORC to present information on breeding, CAP reform and costs of production. [More...](#)

#### **22-23 January 2013 - 7<sup>th</sup> ORC Organic Producers' Conference, Birmingham:**

A date for your diary – details to follow later.

### MORE ABOUT US

#### **2011/12 Organic Farm Management Handbook:**

The current edition of the Handbook, stuffed with fact and figures on organic farming, is available to purchase from ORC. [More...](#)

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