## **Opening of Organic Research Centre's new Conference and Education** Facilities

This summer at The Organic Research Centre we are very pleased to announce the completed transformation of the 17th Century Grade II listed barn into a new, modern Conference and Educational Centre.



The restructuring and refurbishment of the traditional barn was carried out using state of the art environmental technologies together with traditional construction methods and materials: from ground source heating and solar panels to sheep's wool insulation and rainwater harvesting.

The first event, for arable farmers, has already successfully taken place on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June (see photos below) and we are expecting to use the building for seminars and presentations to foreign students who are studying at ORC this summer. We are also planning a number of opening days during September and October, to be announced on the website.

The Conference Centre will provide a much needed facility for The Organic Research Centre's conferences and events. An ambitious educational and information programme is being prepared and we are at present looking at funding to be able to deliver it to the community, locally and regionally. The Conference Centre will also offer a welcome space for many of our partners and other groups to use. It will be an added and affordable resource at regional and local level.

The conference area can accommodate a large number of people and has an integral kitchen, which will allow for catering and self catering during events.

For more information call 01488 658298, or email us at info@organicresearchcentre.com.

Organic Research Centre's Arable Day – June 2009



