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General News



Left to right: Christopher Stopes, Chair with Gareth Roberts (RSPB), Sue Walker (Triodos Bank), Kathleen Kelliher (Defra), Roger Kerr (OF&G) at the closing plenary.

Organic Congress report

OF&G in partnership with a number of other organisations including the Organic Research Centre, the Organic Trade Board and the Soil Association held an event 15-16 November in Rugby.

The UK Organic Congress brought together organic operators, business, academia and NGOs to assess the current situation from their perspective and to discuss what is required to move our sector further forward.

OF&G were there with our Chief Executive Roger Kerr, Stephen Clarkson, OF&G Certification & Compliance Manager, and Steven Jacobs, OF&G Business Development manager, all chairing sessions over the two day event. Roger was also a panellist for the closing plenary.

Roger made the call for greater unity in UK organic through a formally recognised trade association that truly represents the whole sector and for the positive achievements of organic farming to be emphasised without denigrating others.

Following the event we released a joint statement to the press which is available from ofgorganic.org, the text below is taken from that press release :

Big opportunity for UK organic but development of new UK agricultural policy will be critical

Nic Lampkin, CEO of the ORC challenged the sector to create a transition to move things forward. "20% of land is organic in some countries and 10% of the food market, this should be the vision for the UK."

Sue Hayman, Shadow Secretary of State for Food, Environment and Rural Affairs, gave the opening address

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OF&G Office Hours over Christmas break



The office will be closed from 1pm on Monday 24 December until 9am Wednesday 2 January.

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and said the development of the new Agriculture Bill brings great opportunity for organic.

“The development of a post-Brexit UK agricultural policy is a seminal moment and talking proactively is very important. Sustainability must be at the forefront of a thriving British farming, food and drink sector,” said Ms Hayman.

“Shifting public support from land-based payments to the delivery of public and environmental benefits is a

welcome move, but there’s a need for a strategy that also safeguards food security.”

The scope for growth in UK organic was reinforced by Paul Holmbeck, Political Director of Organic Denmark, who presented the remarkable progress of the organic sector in Denmark. “Organic food now accounts for 13.3% of the total food market in Denmark and over 30% of the total market for eggs, milk, flour and bananas.

“More than 90% of public procurement of food in Copenhagen is now organic, with 60% an overall target for the country,” said Mr Holmbeck.

Roger Kerr, CEO of OF&G, concluded the closing plenary by calling for more efforts for greater unity in the UK, and for the positive achievements of organic farming to be emphasised without denigrating others.

<http://ofgorganic.org/big-opportunity-for-uk-organic/>

OF&G Policy work

There are huge and wide ranging policy issues on the table currently including Brexit, trading relationships, a new Agriculture Bill and a forthcoming Environment Bill, so there are many critical topics for us to get our teeth into! To that end OF&G have engaged Christopher Stopes, past President of IFOAM EU to co-ordinate and lead OF&G’s policy work through this critical time.

Brexit and trade, particularly in relation to organic exports to the EU in a no-deal scenario is an immediate issue. We are pleased that IFOAM EU Group have an agreed position on Brexit, and obviously whatever the outcome, we will still be active members of IFOAM EU Group. We hope that this will help us to apply pressure for an early resolution around key issues on organic certification status in the event of a no-deal. Alongside IFOAM EU and other UK CBs we are working to reduce the uncertainty by getting Defra and the Commission talking - even though the Commission said there is nothing to talk about until we are on the "other side", risking months of hiatus for organic operators in the UK.

With the Agriculture Bill going into report stage and then on to the House of Lords, we have been working to draft and table amendments to the Agriculture Bill alongside Sustain, Soil Association Charity and the Land Workers Alliance. Kerry McCarthy MP has helped us try to get agroecology including organic farming into the Bill but there is still a long way to go; supportive MPs like Zac Goldsmith and Caroline Lucas have been a tremendous help.

There is a lot to go for in the Environmental Land Management Schemes proposed in the Agriculture Bill. How the scheme enables and

supports more organic farmers/ growers and more organically managed hectares in the UK will be really important for delivering environmental benefits and public goods. This is a big priority for OF&G and it is good to see so much support amongst individuals and organisations for the organic vision. Our task is to see how the benefits of the organic sector can be recognised as an important element in the Government’s new Domestic Agriculture Policy. We need it firmly on their radar so that the UK can make the most of this huge opportunity.

Hearing Paul Holmbeck speak about the Danish experience at the Triodos Bank Plenary session of the Congress two weeks ago showed how things can be done. Paul is the Director of the Danish umbrella organisation Organic Denmark. Yes they have free state-run organic promotion and certification, a coordinated advisory and research capacity, and, and, and... all of which makes Denmark perfect in many respects for organic farmers and organic consumers (including making organic a big part of public procurement) and it presents a great practical example of how positive policy can influence development.

Brexit - TRACES NT replacement

In the confusion of Brexit there is a key practical issue that we are seeking to address with Defra (aside from UK CB recognition by the EU - which is on-going). This is the position regarding TRACES NT which is an EU based IT system that manages imports and exports.

Clearly, if the UK leaves the EU without a 'deal' then this system will no longer be available to UK operators for the import of organic goods, although UK operators will still need to use it to export into the EU. Defra had indicated in their technical bulletin (dated 23rd August - which related to organic food) that they would have an alternative IT system in place by March 2019. However, it would appear that this is now not going to be in place. Defra have consequently developed an interim paper-based system to replace TRACES NT for UK imports in the face of a 'no deal' until the new IT system is in place. We have yet to see this system, nor do we understand the process that Defra are proposing. However, we are in contact with them on a fortnightly basis (along with all other UK CBs) and are pressing them to trial this new system in parallel with the current TRACES NT at the earliest opportunity.

We are looking for businesses that will be reliant on this new system to trial it and iron out the undoubted bugs and challenges ahead of full scale transition to the new system at the end of March. If you are interested in being involved in the trial please contact Steve Clarkson or your CO. If we move to a formal transition agreement at the end of March then we will continue to use TRACES NT throughout the transition period.



Certification Schemes

As a Community Interest Company OF&G's community interest objectives are to work toward developing and supporting the UK organic sector to the benefit of producers and consumers and also the development of sustainable land use generally.

To that end OF&G now certify a number of different schemes including organic (which remains our core focus). These are: -

- EU organic regulation 834/2007 and 889/2008 (SOPA and OF&G)
- Biofertiliser Certification Scheme (PAS110) - which certifies anaerobic digester digestate for application onto third party land. This is separate to any organic requirements
- Compost Certification Scheme (PAS100) - which certifies anaerobic digester digestate for application onto third party land. This is separate to any organic requirements
- Pasture for Life - which certifies livestock fed exclusively on forage all year round
- Woodland Carbon Code - which validates new woodland schemes, allowing sequestered carbon to sold.
- Peatland Code - this is a new trial scheme which validates peatland regeneration schemes allowing any GHG emission reductions to be sold.

OF&G also now offer accreditation to around an additional twelve national organic schemes that operate in other countries (for example USDA NOP, JAS, KRAV)

Farmbench

OF&G are very happy to announce that our colleagues at the Organic Research Centre are teaming up with the AHDB to offer a fully supported service to help organic farmers in benchmarking their farm businesses.

ORC will also provide a 1-to-1 session with farmers regarding the data from their farm business and will provide support during data upload and validation with the AHDB.

Each group will have an ORC researcher leading it and a second researcher will be assigned to support as needed.

Farmers will keep ownership of their own farm data which remains confidential to them alone.

An anonymised comparative report will then be shared with the group for open discussion and joint learning.

OF&G will be helping to coordinate events including a series of regional meetings to help encourage participation and to offer extra information from current research and practice in organic arable production networks.

More details below:



Would you like help to collate and review your farm data to look at improving performance?



- Have this data anonymously analysed and benchmarked against other organic farms. Then meet with other organic farmers to compare key indicators, discuss the year's successes and challenges with them.
- We are offering the opportunity to take part in AHDB Farmbench with support from trained ORC staff.
- We'll then arrange a follow-up meeting in consultation with the farmers in the group at a venue in the area to review the analysed data (individual farm data will remain confidential).
- To participate you must grow at least one combinable cereal or oilseed crop in this harvest year and not have participated in 2017 cereal/oilseed Farmbench. All organic farm types are welcome to participate.
- We want to support organic farmers in this process and enable you to have access to meaningful organic farm data to help you manage your business.

For more information or to register with ORC for AHDB Farmbench for Organic farmers please email:

AHDBFarmbench@organicresearchcentre.com

Technical News

Extension of 5% non-organic protein feed allowance

The exceptional permission allowing the use of a portion of non-organic protein in the diet of pigs and poultry was due to expire at the end of December 2018. As with the use of 'part-organic' pullets OF&G have been involved in many discussions regarding the need to move to 100% organically produced feeds. Due to the lack of availability of quality organic proteins that meet the nutritional needs of the animals the production of organic protein crops is still lagging behind the demand. The Commission has felt it appropriate to extend the period for which non-organic protein may be used. The use of up to 5% non-organic protein in the diet of pigs and poultry has been extended and will now expire on 31 December 2020.

All feed requirements must be calculated on an annual dry matter basis and prior approval must be sought before any non-organic protein is used in the diet. As the majority of organic pig and poultry producers will be purchasing a compound feed from a registered feed mill the approval to use non-organic protein will fall to the feed mill producing the feed. A farmer using that feed will need to keep a copy of the feed label and complete Record Sheet 25 Justification Record for Use of Non-Organic Feed. If, however, as a farmer you are producing your own feeds using a non-organic ingredient you will need to apply for approval to include that material.

If you have any questions please discuss with your Certification Officer.

Producers

Extension to part-organic pullet allowance

The use of non-organic pullets that have been managed to the organic feed and veterinary standards (known as 'part-organic' in the UK) has been the subject of discussion for a number of years. The existing permission to use these birds in organic systems expires at the end of December 2018. Due to the lack of availability of fully organic pullets on the market and to allow time for specific rules for the production of organically reared pullets to be established the exceptional production rules (approval) to use 'part-

organic' pullets has been extended to 31 December 2020. As is currently the case in order to approve the use of these pullets you will need to supply a copy of Record Sheet 21a, including the following information:

- Written confirmation (from the rearer) that the pullets have been managed to the organic feed and veterinary standards whilst in rear;
- Details of suppliers contacted regarding the supply of organic pullets;
- The supplier of the 'part-organic' pullets;
- The number of pullets being brought in.

The approval must be granted prior to the birds arrival on farm, as this approval must be granted by Defra it must be received in good time to allow for completion of the full process and issue of the documentation on farm.

Defra have stated on a number of occasions that requests for 'part-organic' pullets after they have arrived on farm may not be granted resulting in the loss of status of the eggs.

It is also a requirement that when ordering your pullets from the rearer you request that these are not beak tipped/trimmed before arrival.

Using wormers and antibiotics (withdrawal periods)

We have discussed the use of veterinary treatments, be it wormers or antibiotics, many times over the years but we feel it is always advantages to remind everyone of their obligations with regard to their use in organic production. When converting to organic production the objective is to avoid the use of these types of treatments wherever possible. However, if an animal becomes ill you must use whatever means necessary to cure that illness and avoid any suffering even if that means the animal will lose its organic status. If you do have to use veterinary treatments a withdrawal period will be required where the animal or their products (milk, eggs etc...) will not be able to marketed as organic. In most cases a product will have a specific withdrawal period stated relating to the livestock that is being treated; this is known as the statutory withdrawal period. When administering to organic/ converting animals this statutory period must be doubled to give the organic withdrawal period. If the product being administered has a statutory withdrawal period stated as zero or no withdrawal period is identified the animal and its products must not be marketed as organic for at least 24 hours after the treatment has finished (see examples in the table below):

Product used	Stated (statutory) withdrawal period	Organic withdrawal period
Cydectin 1% w/v solution for injection of sheep	• 70 days for meat	• 140 days
Panacure 10% Oral suspension	• 120 hrs (cattle – milk) • 12 days (cattle – meat) • 15 days (sheep – meat)	• 240 hours (10 days) • 24 days • 30 days
Tetra-Delta intramammary suspension	• 108 hrs (cattle – milk) • 7 days (cattle – meat)	• 216 hrs • 14 days
Multiject IMM intramammary suspension	• 108 hrs (cattle – milk) • 7 days (cattle – meat)	• 216 hrs • 14 days
Excenel 50 mg/ml suspension for injection	• 0 days (cattle – milk) • 6 days (cattle – meat) • 2 days (pigs – meat)	• 48 hrs • 12 days • 4 days
Metacam injection	• 120 hrs (cattle – milk) • 15 days (cattle – meat)	• 240 hrs (10 days) • 30 days

Please note that the table above are examples only, OF&G do not endorse the use of any veterinary medicines

Amendments to Annex I and Annex II of Regulation (EC) 889/2008

Annex I and Annex II of this regulation relate to the fertilisers & soil conditioners and plant protection products that may be used in organic farming. The Expert Group for Technical Advice on Organic Production (EGTOP) and the Commission have reviewed information supplied relating to the inclusion of new products to these lists.

Annex I has been amended to include:

- Industrial lime from sugar cane production as a by-product of sugar cane production;
- Xylite obtained as a by-product of mining activities (e.g. by-product of brown coal mining).

Annex II has been amended to include:

- Allium sativum or Garlic extract;
- COS-OGA - a fungicide used in protected cropping horticulture;
- Salix ssp. Cortex (willow bark extract);
- Sodium hydrogen carbonate (sodium bicarbonate)

If you have any queries you should speak to your certification officer.

Separation of flocks within sheds

We have been receiving a number of calls from both new and existing

licensees looking to increase production of organic poultry (eggs and laying birds) by adding sheds. The organic regulation allows for a maximum of 3000 laying birds and 4800 table birds in a single poultry flock. Without a specific definition of a flock and house it was felt that more than one single flock could be housed under the same roof but these needed to be defined as separate flocks. In order to provide for this Defra and the organic Control Bodies produced a set of criteria that must be adhered to in order to have more than one flock in a house. **If you wish to house more than one flock under a single roof/house each house must be constructed in order to have it's own dedicated air space, ventilation, grazing, feed and water.**

Forage update

In the September newsletter we noted that some much needed rainfall at the beginning of September had allowed for grass growth and appeared to be alleviating the problems, at least in the short term. It seems we have had a mild few months since then and grass has continued to grow meaning that, in some areas, cows are still out grazing. That said, the unusually dry weather in the summer may still affect your ability to feed your cows as we

move through the winter period. If you haven't already done so now is the time to assess your forage stocks to ensure you have sufficient availability of organic/in-conversion forages for the coming winter.

If you think you will have problems and forage shortages you should discuss this with your certification officer.

Woodland Carbon Code

As already noted in this newsletter OF&G now offer a varied number of certification schemes that complement our core organic work. One of these schemes is a Woodland Carbon Code (WCC). The WCC is a voluntary standard for UK woodland creation projects where the carbon dioxide they sequester is calculated and can be sold on the IHS Markit register. OF&G offer validation and verification of the standards providing assurance regarding the carbon savings available.

This provides the opportunity to derive an income from the carbon sequestered in any new woodland schemes in addition to any other intrinsic value.

If you are interested to hear more about the scheme please contact our Certification & Compliance Manager - Steve Clarkson

Processors

Amendment to Article 27 (1)(f) of 889/2008 regarding minerals, vitamins, amino acids and micro-nutrients

Following a recent ruling made by the Court of Justice of the European Union, the European Commission has revised the rules on the use of minerals, vitamins etc. in organic foods.

Minerals (including trace elements), vitamins, amino acids and micronutrients may only be used if:

1. their use in food for normal consumption is 'directly legally required', meaning that its inclusion is directly required by either Union law or a national law compatible with Union law and only if a product could not be placed on the market at all for normal consumption if the mineral, vitamin, amino acid or micronutrient were not added; or
 2. regards food marketed with a particular characteristics or effect in relation to health or nutrition or the needs of specific groups of consumer.
- a) In foods as defined in points (a) and (b) of Article 1(1) of Regulation 609/2013, their use is authorised by that regulation and acts adopted on the basis of Article 11(1) for the following products;
 - b) Infant formula and follow-on milk;
 - c) Processed cereal-based food and baby food.

Amendments to Annex VIIIa of 889/2008

The expert group (EGTOP) has proposed amendments to the products and substances used in organic wine production that have been adopted by the Commission. As a result a revised list of products and substances for use in wine has been published in Annex VIIIa. The new list now contains the following additions - see table right:

Type of treatment in accordance with Annex I A to regulation (EC) No 606/2009	Name of product or substance
Point 6: Use	• Inactivated yeast, autolysates of yeast and yeast hulls
Point 10: Clarification	• Potato proteins ⁽²⁾ • Yeast protein extracts ⁽²⁾ • Chitosan derived from Asper-gillus niger
Point 35: Use	• Yeast mannoproteins
Point 44: Use	• Chitosan derived from Asper-gillus niger
Point 51: Use	• Inactivated yeast
⁽²⁾ Derived from organic raw material if available	

Market Information

Grain Prices: Courtesy of Andrew Trump, Organic Arable:

Feed merchants are reporting reasonable levels of cover and the market has been quiet as there has been little buying interest recently. With cattle being housed there has been more interest from livestock farmers for straights. Neither feed compounders nor the trade seem confident on how the market is priced and as a result a range of prices is being talked in the market with a significant spread between buyers. Similarly sellers have different pricing expectations. This is also due to variable quality of grain being offered.

Recent concerns about Romanian wheat keeps the integrity story high on the agenda and a Reuters report of a possible reduction in exports from Ukraine of 32% following further certification difficulties (<https://www.agriculture.com/markets/newswire/ukraines-exports-of-organic-grains-may-fall-32-pct-in-2018>) further highlight this issue. However with Sweden which has previously been a net exporter of between 100,000 – 150,000 tonnes will this year import about 100,000 tonnes which will largely come from the Baltic and Russia the need for exports into the EU remains and new suppliers such as Serbia are increasingly playing a role in this market. Such new entrants are keeping feed values in check. **Feed wheat and barley values remain between £285 - £295 with feed oats trading at about a £20 discount. Milling grains are at about a £40 - £50 premium.** Higher values are available for better quality or larger volume parcels.

A recent removal of crushing subsidy by the Chinese government has led to a sharp increase in soya values. They had been at very low values and but this withdrawal of subsidy has increased to levels that

are similar to those seen in recent years. There are suggestions that as China is now a net importer of soya there could be a ban on exports.

Spring seed supply will be tight as some seed crops have failed. Plan now and assess home-saved seed and order new seed early.

Organic Livestock Trends: OLMC

The numbers of organic store cattle marketed through the Organic Marketing Co-operative Ltd (OLMC) has reached record levels this Autumn. Increased numbers have come onto the market earlier than usual from store cattle producers selling stores due to a shortage of forage. The cattle available are generally speaking in good forward condition and well fleshed. Although Summer grazing has been sparse, the good conditions and the high dry matter content of the grass available has (particularly for younger cattle) made growth rates better than the wet summers of recent years.

The cattle that we have marketed this Autumn have been in general terms 50kgs heavier than last year when comparing "like with like." The increased numbers of cattle on the market has put downward pressure on prices this Autumn. The slightly lower prices have attracted buyers into the market place and means that we have been able to move the volumes of cattle on the market. Our expectation is that store cattle prices will rise in the spring to last year's levels by February/March time.

We continue to find homes for TB restricted cattle although marketing calves in small numbers has been a challenge. Reasonable numbers i.e. groups of 20 plus, 400 kg plus cattle have been easier to sell. Please continue to book your cattle in with us, the more notice we get the better. New suppliers are

always of interest to us and we are always available for a no obligation chat at any time.

Please call Peter Jones mobile: 07720 892 922 or the office: 01829 730 580

Or David Bostock mobile: 07734 808 050 or the office: 01829 730 580

Regarding finished stock we are finding that the usual early November seasonal increases in kill numbers built on Christmas orders has been very disappointing right across the beef trade. Both conventional and organic finished beef prices have suffered. Kill numbers have been easily met in past weeks as some finishers pushed cattle through the system, fearing bedding and food shortage as the Winter draws in. A continued plentiful supply of organic cull cows coming through the system has brought about a slide in the price, the demand is reasonable but with large numbers on offer the abattoirs do not have to compete for them. Holding on for a better trade is, for most producers, not an option as they ponder at low Winter forage stocks.

Average R4L Organic UTM in spec @ 412p/kg deadweight

Average R4L Organic OTM Cow in spec @ 265/kg deadweight

The market for organic finished lambs has remained fairly stable and although the price has fluctuated marginally it has neither dropped away or raced ahead. Kill numbers required by the abattoirs are nothing special so spaces are tight and forward booking is essential.

Average R3L Organic NSK in spec @ 410p/kg deadweight

For further information on the marketing of finished stock please call Tim Leigh on 01763 250313 or mobile 07850 366404.

We would also encourage you to visit our web site www.peterjoneslivestock.co.uk

OF&G Licensees in the News

Now is the season for awards and this year food businesses registered with OF&G made a very strong showing. We have reported some of these via the OF&G social media account on Twitter -

- Our licensees, Claire and Daniel Howlett [@wictonfarm](#) have scooped up the [@omsco](#) Farm of the Year award. Congratulations to the worthy winners #TeamDairy #OrganicFarming
<https://twitter.com/ofgorganic/status/1052900486121164800>
- Congratulations to our licensee at The Woodhorn Group, John Pitts [@EarthCycleUK](#), for being a runner up at the [@omsco](#) Farm of the Year awards #TeamDairy #OrganicFarming
<https://twitter.com/ofgorganic/status/1052900650751799296>
- Congratulations to OF&G licensee Andrew Wilkinson [@Gilchesters](#) for being shortlisted for [@organicUK](#)'s 2018 Oak Award and well done to the worthy winner [@susie_hewson](#) [@natracare](#) ow.ly/O59M30mGppc
<https://twitter.com/ofgorganic/status/1064937749315272705>

Photo: l to r: Adrian Blackshaw, chair OTB, Geetie Singh Watson, Andrew, Billie & Flo Wilkinson (Glichesters Organics)



Organic in the news

Many of you will have seen news with headlines such as this -

'Eat organic meat to tackle antibiotic crisis'

In the Times -

Shoppers should choose organic or high-welfare meat to combat the rise of antibiotic-resistant bugs, England's chief medical officer has urged.

Dame Sally Davies has warned that if antibiotics stop working, society faces an "apocalyptic" scenario in which treatments including chemotherapy and hip replacements become impossible and common infections kill.

She has called on consumers to use their buying power to pressure the food industry into reducing antibiotic use. That includes choosing organic meat and poultry or produce labelled with the "Red Tractor" and Scottish or Scandinavian fish that have been vaccinated, rather than reared using antibiotics.

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/eat-organic-meat-to-tackle-antibiotic-crisis-nh03wkxs8>

Sky News also had a quote from Gwyn Jones of RUMA -

Gwyn Jones, chairman of the Responsible Use of Medicines in Agriculture Alliance (RUMA) said antibiotic resistance was a problem "we all own" but said the Red Tractor mark was "driving widespread change".

"In endorsing the standards for UK Red Tractor and organic meat and Scottish salmon, Dame Sally has recognised a lot hard work to improve health and welfare and reduce antibiotic use in UK farm animal," he said.

<https://news.sky.com/story/buy-organic-meat-to-avoid-antibiotic-resistance-top-medical-officer-says-11557913>

Staff News



Our producer certification officer **Barbara Pennington** will be leaving us soon as she embarks on the start of her maternity leave. Barbara has been with us for just over two years now and has become a valued member of the certification team. We wish her all the best with the birth of her first child and we look forward to seeing her back next year.

In the meantime we have extended our producer certification team and welcome **Alice Keenan** to OF&G. Alice has only been with us for a few weeks and is picking things up quickly. Once Alice is sufficiently up to speed we'll be having a move round of licensees to even out the workload for each of our certification officers.



Recently awarded approved inputs

A full list of approved inputs appears on our website <http://ofgorganic.org/approved-input/>

SUPPLIER	TELEPHONE	CATEGORY
BDC Agri Ltd	01206 381521	Animal Feed Material
Dynamis Homeopathic Medicine	02882 250 521	Animal Health Product
Hatchery Healthcare Ltd	01948 841412	Animal Feed Supplement
Nutrimate Limited	01777 870077	Plant Health Product
Natural Supplies Ltd	01158 246474	Ingredients, Animal Health Product, Pest Control
Crop IQ Technology Ltd	07486 070549	Plant Health Product
Natural Grower Limited	01858 565828	Fertilisers

Updated approved inputs

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SUPPLIER	TELEPHONE	CATEGORY
ADM Protexin	01460 243230	Animal Health Product
Seamill Saltworks Ltd	01294 829358	Vitamins, minerals and trace elements
ECOspray Ltd	01760 756100	Pest Control, Plant Health Product, Animal Feed Additives
Venture Foods (UK) Ltd	01743 289133	Ingredients
Pack-It-Hereford Ltd	01432 351589	Ingredients
PelGar International	01420 80744	Pest Control
Salutaris, Unipessoal Lda	+ 351 281 322 960	Ingredients
Biotechnica Services Ltd	01780 781368	Plant Health Product, Fertilisers
Legume Technology Ltd	0115 824 0585	Plant Health Product
Illex EnviroSciences Limited	01673 885175	Fertilisers, Plant Health Product
EM Agriton Limited	01823 673344	Manure Treatment, Compost Additive, Silage Additive, Animal Feed Supplement, Bedding Materials, Animal Feed Additives
FGS Agri Ltd	01233 820055	Bedding Materials
Greenaway Green Waste Services	01507 451748	Soil Conditioners
Anpario plc	01909 537380	Pest Control, Animal Feed Additives
REMIN (Scotland) Ltd	01330 820914	Soil Conditioners
Paddocks Farm Partnership	0870 850 2313	Animal Health Product
Volac International Ltd	01223 208021	Silage Additive
Ball of Madley Ltd	01981 250301	Vitamins, minerals and trace elements
Agrimin Ltd - private label suppliers to Downland Marketing Ltd	01652 688046	Vitamins, minerals and trace elements

Classified Advertisements

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Items for sale

Note: Purchasers should always check the current certificate and the status with the vendor. OF&G cannot take responsibility for any stock, items or services sold through this service. Advertisements are accepted at OF&G's discretion.

SHEEP FOR SALE				
Organic lambs	13 x Organic Shropshire cross Ewe lambs for sale. Born April 2017	Farokh Khoroshi	01296 711107	Buckingham, Bucks
Organic Herdwick Gimmers	For sale 6 Organic pure bred Herdwick Gimmers. For more information please call or email.	Jane Smales	07774 832543	Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland
Purebred Charollais ewes	Up to 15 ewes mixed ages from our closed MVA purebred Charollais flock (Chichester , ZAG). Grass fed, March/ April lambing at 190% . Ideal for an organic farm to produce their own Charollais tups at low cost. Charollais lambs finish to E and U grades , and over the years we have improved ewe hardiness, milkyness and foraging ability. Unlike many Charollais which are lambed early indoors and stuffed with food, these will spring lamb to fit in with any normal organic sheep enterprise. Also some ewe lambs large enough to tup.	Derek Bond	7788751012	Chichester, West Sussex
Organic Yearlings and Breeding Ewes	We have 15 strong yearling ewes for sale. They are a mixture of Halfbred and Texel X with the occasional Suffolk X thrown in. We are also selling some 2, 3 and 4 year old breeding ewes to reduce our flock. They are good strong ewes and of the same breed varieties as the yearlings. If you are interested, please give us a shout and we can arrange a visit with no commitment to buy. Thanks!	Mike Lewis	07901 710882	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
Pedigree organic Texel rams	Born and bred on farm. Grass fed. Heptavac P programme followed. Please phone for details.	Crispin Sobey	01566 780343 / 07766 105992	Launceston, Cornwall
Shropshire shearling Ewes	4x pedigree shropshires all registered with the society. Born March 2017, Twins, 2x singles, Home bred. Ready for the ram. Wormed	Farokh Khoroshi	01296 711107	Buckingham, Bucks
Organic Store Lambs	70 organic Llyen cross store lambs, born April 2018, ready to go now due to grass shortage. Please call for further details.	Marcus Fincham	07966 199872	Hook, Hampshire
North of England mule ewe lambs	North of England mule lambs for sale. Please phone for details	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, North Yorks
Swaledale ewe lambs	Swaledale ewe lambs for sale. Please phone for details	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, North Yorks

LAND & GRAZING FOR SALE				
Organic land to rent for sheep grazing	21.22 acres of organic land for sheep grazing at Llandenny, Near Usk NP15 1DL. £1600 per period of 364 days plus hedges to be cut by road every year and internal hedges every other year. Good access, shade, shelter and water. Land ready immediately. Interested parties must hold an organic certificate. Please contact for further details.	Jill Castling	01291 690069 / 07795 418322	Usk, Monmouthshire

SEED FOR SALE				
Winter Oat seed available	500kg Mascani certified C2 seed available surplus to requirement	Simon Hayes	07711 616303	Shifnal, Shropshire
Organic Tundra Bean Seed for Sale	1 tonne organic tundra bean for sale. Shrink wrapped on pallet. Surplus to requirement. £65.	Adam Twine	01367 700616	Swindon, Wiltshire

CATTLE FOR SALE				
Store cattle	9 Traditional Hereford steers for sale. Organic, 14 - 16 months old. In excellent condition from the long-established Cow Hall pedigree herd in the Welsh borders.	Mark Measures	01588 640307	Craven Arms, Shropshire
Hereford Bull	Traditional Hereford bull for sale. Elysia Edward, 8 years old. Very fit and producing excellent calves in our pedigree herd. Price based on cull value.	Mark Measures	01588 640307	Craven Arms, Shropshire
Newly calved and in calf Ayrshire heifers	Also reared calves available. Can send photos by post if needed. Please phone for details.	William Deaville	01773 550269	Idridgehay, Derbyshire
Store Cattle for sale	6 Steers 16-18 months. 5 Steers 12-15 months. 2 heifers 17 and 15 months. These are all Aberdeen Angus cross organic cattle.	John Evans	07771 888093	Llantwit Major, Glamorgan
14 store cattle	14 store cattle 7 steers 7 heifers 14 to 17 months old charolais cross and short horn cross	Ian Smith	01566 86155 / 07779 987580	Bodmin Moor, Cornwall
100-150 Organic stores	300kg-500kg British Blue x, Montbeliarde x and Long Horn x. Approx 15-24 months. £2.10 LW British Blue x. £1.90 LW Mont x & LH x.	Ross or David	07921 601929	Truro, Cornwall
Group of Organic Heifers for Sale	Approx. 40 x 18 month old Beef Shorthorn X and Aberdeen Angus X Heifers for sale. POA	Linda Gravells	01507 343225	Louth, Lincs
Angus cross suckled calves	20 angus cross calves out of semital cross cows tb tested reasonable price	A Smith	07960 738791	Launceston, Cornwall
Bull for sale	Stabiliser bull birdsall remy DOB 11/4/15 tb 4 area.	Adrian Procter	07967 158803	Settle, North Yorks
store cattle charolais cross	25 charolais suckled calves around 7 months all out off beef cows well grown	Ian Smith	01566 86155 / 07779 987580	Bodmin Moor, Cornwall
Pedigree Organic South Devon Heifers For Sale	1 x 24 month 1 x 22 month 4 x 18 month old pedigree South Devon heifers for sale. Lovely temperament will make excellent suckler cows.	Thomas Martin	01769 580737	Chulmleigh, Devon
Store cattle	10 charolais and south Devon cross steers around 8 months old, well grown good shape and all out off proper beef cows tb tested and ready to go. Ring for details	Ian Smith	01566 86155 / 07779 987580	Altarnun, Cornwall
Organic AA suckled calves	65 organic Aberdeen Angus suckled calves for sale, TB4, BVD clear, April/May 18 born, Mix of bullocks and heifers, good strong cattle, ready to move mid December. Viewing welcome.	John Moffat	07789 352330	Ponteland, Northumberland
Newly calved and in calf Ayrshire heifers	Also reared calves available. Can send photos by post if needed. Please phone for details.	William Deaville	01773 550269	Idridgehay, Derbyshire
5 galloway steers	5 organic black Galloway steers 6 months old well bred very quiet £550	Stuart Smith	07523 032306	Altarnun, Cornwall
Store cattle/ breeding cattle	STORE CATTLE/BREEDING HEIFERS. 1 bull stabiliser 15mth, 1 steer limx 17mth, 2 steers stabiliser 17/18 mth, 3 heifers limx 16/17 mth, 2 heifers stabiliser 14mths (would make good breeding cows). 1 heifer stabiliser 11 mth.	Shane Lewis	07887 687535	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
6 BELGIUM BLUE X CALVES FOR SALE	(Out of Ayrshire cows) age from week to 2 weeks old. TB 4 area.	Mike Cartner	07734 733260 / 016973 51681	Carlisle, Cumbria
Quality 6-7mths Weanlings, LimX & 1 pedigree BB Bull.	Mostly BBxLim, 7 heifers, 2 steers & 1 pedigree Belgium Blue Bull. Creep fed. 6-7 months old. Located near Llanbister.	Dale Wilson	01597 840217	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
30 store cattle suckler calves	30 charolais cross organic around 7 months all out off beef cows very well grown dehorned and blacklegged. Please ring for details.	Ian Smith	01566 86155 / 07779 987580	Altarnun, Cornwall

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE				
Organic Smallholding for sale	Organic Smallholding, County Clare, Ireland. Renovated Stone cottage on 11 acres, polytunnels, lots of fruit trees, grassland. Price: 240,000 Euros. For further details contact Pete.	Pete	00353 65 6835924	Tulla, County Clare
Organic laying hen manure	400 tonnes laying hen manure just muck with no bedding, rocket fuel for your crops. £10 per ton loaded at Wellington, Somerset.	Mark Persey	07796 954711	Wellington, Somerset

DAIRY CATTLE FOR SALE

Milkers and Jan/ Feb Calving Cows	12 Calved Milkers and 6 Jan /Feb Dry Cows for sale. High health status.	Jeremy Barlow	07901 687625	Sandbach, Cheshire
Bulling heifers	24 bulling heifers for sale, pedigree Holstein freisian, 12 months old tb free, vaccinated for bvd ibr huskvac and covexin 10, 7000 l autumn calving forage system	DW Jones	01492 532880	Conwy, North Wales
Pedigree holstein freisian heifers for sale	10 jan,5 feb and 20 march calving heifers to freisian bull. 4 year tb area	Ian Bowman	01892 824778	Tunbridge Wells, Kent
10 autumn calving pedigree holstein freisian heifers	Due oct nov dec to reg AA and reg Holstein freisian. From forage / grazing based system 7500 litres average stature. vaccinated for leptos and bvd, they had huskvac as calves. Herd is Johnes monitored with very few showing as high and no cases seen.	Mark Persey	07796 954711	Wellington, Somerset
60 incalf Heifers & 30 cows for sale	60 incalf Jersey & NZ black & white heifers for sale. Calving end November-January some Feb/March. Fully organic 25-30 cows for sale 5 freshly calved. 7 to calf in next week and rest to calf within the next month.	Llewellyn	07917 458286	Launceston and Looe, Cornwall
Organic Cross bred in calf heifers	Approx 60. Good quality, cross bred, spring calving. Please telephone for more details.	Greg Kellaway	07968 146055	Mere, Wiltshire/ Dorset border
8 month old Cross bred heifers	Approx 60. Good quality. Genuine reason for sale. Please phone for details.	Greg Kellaway	07968 146055	Mere, Wiltshire/ Dorset Border
40 March calving British Friesian cows	40 British Friesian organic cows grazing type. March calving incalf to BB and Angus	Llewellyn	07917 458286	Liskeard, Cornwall

FEEDSTUFFS & FORAGE FOR SALE

Organic oat / barley straw	Organic oat/barley straw, with plenty of dried grass from undersown ley. Ideal feed for dry cows. 60 Claas 4 string square bales @ £16/bale ex farm. Local delivery possible.	Martin Brown	01985 844236 / 07752 807236	Warminster, Wiltshire
Organic Meadow Hay for sale	We did not lamb this year so our hay is for sale. Lovely rich mix Organic Hay. 9.67 acres in total. Available for cutting as of 1st July 2018. Can arrange for cutting, baling and loading. MK17 area. Good access.	Farokh Khorrooshi	01296 711107	Buckingham, Bucks
Organic Big Bale Hay	2018 Big Bale Hay. Meadow Good Quality.	Paul Phillips	07971 184580	Wincanton, Somerset
Organic haylage for sale	Approx 200 bales of 2018 organic haylage/silage for sale. Well wrapped and nutrient analysis available. Buyer collects. Please send offers via email.	Callum Weir	07834 435369	Cambridge, Herts
Clamp Silage	1500 tonnes, Lupin, Triticale and second cut grass. Well fermented. Made 2017. Artic access.	Oliver Watson	07870 594430	Totnes, South Devon
Organic haylage	6 string square haylage bales well wrapped average weight about 500kg per bale. Based near street in somerset. Buyer to transport/ collect. 360 bales available.	Ash Bulmer	07866 790100	Street, Somerset
Feed Oats	Approx 20 tonnes organic spring oats (Canyon) near Monmouth - buyer collects.	Teona Dorrien-Smith	01600 780501	Monmouth, Monmouthshire
Organic silage bales for sale	We have 500 organic silage bales for sale at £30 each. Please get in touch for more information.	Mike Wood	07812 666 752	Bideford, Devon
Organic milk replacer powder	We have 19 bags of Organic milk powder for sale for £2755.00. The use by date is May 2019 & it has been stored in the dry. Please email us for more information. mikewood@portledge-estate.co.uk	Mike	07812 666 752	Bideford, Devon
Organic Small Bale Meadow Hay	150 small bales of organic meadow hay June 2018 cut, barn stored. Lovely soft hay. £6.00 a bale.	Claire Taylor	07802 432539	Honiton, Devon
Organic Grass Clamp Silage	Organic Silage. 1000+ Tonnes. Midlands Area. Delivery available. Please phone for details	Joe Brandreth	07968 818944	Bedworth, Warwickshire
Organic FEED WHEAT	We have available 3 x 29 tonne loads of UK produced Organic Feed Wheat for delivery before Christmas. We are able to deliver NATIONWIDE. If you are interested in some or all of the loads, please get in touch.	Gemma Clarke	01529 421081	Grantham, Lincs
Organic Hay	Large round bales of lovely organic hay. £47 per bale. Could deliver at a cost.	Mr Gibson	07713 480782	Hexham, Northumberland
Big Bale Hay	Organic Mixture Hay. 2nd cut hay from a rye grass / red clover mixture new ley. Made in August. In Claas 2100 4 string bales. Good heavy solid bales. We are located 1 mile from M4 J15. Please call for details.	Harry	07831 124968	Swindon, Wiltshire

Items wanted

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Wanted Organic Hay	Organic & Conventional Hay in square bales. Will collect.	David Thorley	07973 860211	Doveridge, Derbyshire
Wanted round organic silage bales	I am looking for 250 round organic silage bales. We are on the Glos/oxon/wilts border.	Lyndall Gibson	07779 342193	Cirencester, Glos
Wanted Organic Hay	We are looking to purchase organic hay, haylage and silage, red clover mix if available. Also, organic straw all types and bale sizes. We will collect.	David Thorley	07973 860211	Ashbourne, Derbyshire
Organic Straw Wanted	All types of organic straw wanted for use in organic mushroom production. Collection can be arranged for full loads. Prompt payment assured. Deposit can be paid if required.	Tim Harker	01264 810032 / 07831 669235	Andover, Hants

SHEEP WANTED				
Organic texel cross store lambs	Organic texel cross store lambs	Crispin Sobey	01566 780343 / 07766 105992	Launceston, Cornwall

LAND & GRAZING WANTED				
Winter grazing wanted	Winter grazing wanted for well behaved healthy Welsh mountain ewes or ewe lambs. Ideally from November until end of March but can be flexible. Good rates paid for supervised grazing.	Tony Davies	01597 811240	Rhayader, Powys
Winter grazing wanted for sheep	Winter grazing for sheep wanted. Please phone.	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, N Yorks
Sheep grass keep	Sheep grass keep wanted within 40 miles of Launceston, Cornwall. Please phone.	Crispin Sobey	01566 780343 / 07766 105992	Launceston, Cornwall

JOBS WANTED				
Field veg /farm manager	We are looking to dramatically expand our organic production and livestock activities. Currently we grow mostly salads in 3/4 acre of polytunnels, turkeys and laying hens; and we sell through our own farm shop in Bristol as well as several other restaurants, etc. in Bristol and Glastonbury. We have 40 acres of under-used south-facing medium clay soil that used to be very productive with field-scale vegetables, soft and top fruit, sheep, cattle and pigs. We need an experienced person (or two?) to bring these fields into full production. This is an unusual opportunity to build a multi-faceted farm business, and the ideal candidate will be responsible for managing the labour, machinery and sales. We have a two-bedroom semi-detached cottage	Richard Fox	01761 479391	Bath, Somerset



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