



Environment Matters – 5th January 2007

Welcome to Aardvark's fortnightly environmental news briefing,

- **Eco-resolutions for a lean and green New Year** Staying fit, healthy and wealthy in the New Year while at the same time saving the planet is made easier with a green resolution list from Friends of the Earth. ([EDIE 19/12/06](#))
- **Miliband and Cameron to speak at 2007 Oxford Farming Conference** Organisers of the 2007 Oxford Farming Conference have pulled together one of the best line-ups of speakers for years for the annual event in the first week of January. ([Farmers Weekly 03/01/07](#))
- **Olympic ship plan drifts into troubled waters** Environmental activists claim that "green" elements of the 2012 Olympic bid are already being eroded. Their accusations are denied by organisers, who say commitment to the principles of the bid – most notably the promise to produce the greenest ever Olympics – is cast-iron. ([The Guardian 04/01/07](#))
- **Recycling 'cutting CO2 emissions'** Recycling has helped tackle climate change by cutting the UK's carbon emissions by 10 to 15 million tonnes a year, a report is set to say. The recycling industry body, WRAP, says the benefit of keeping waste out of landfill sites has been equivalent to taking 3.5m cars off the road. ([BBC News 22/12/06](#))
- **Scientists Say 2007 May Be Warmest Yet** A resurgent El Niño and persistently high levels of greenhouse gases are likely to make 2007 the world's hottest year ever recorded, British climate scientists said Thursday. Britain's Meteorological Office said there was a 60 percent probability that 2007 would break the record set by 1998, which was 1.20 degrees over the long-term average. ([ENN 04/01/07](#))
- **Airlines savaged over environment** A minister has launched an outspoken attack on the airline industry over failure to tackle carbon emissions. Speaking to the Guardian newspaper, Environment Minister Ian Pearson said budget airline Ryanair was the "irresponsible face of capitalism". ([BBC News 05/01/07](#))
- **The Woodland Trust Christmas Card Recycling Scheme** Helping the environment by reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. Help us reach our 2007 target of 90 million Christmas and New Year cards by: ([Woodland Trust 02/01/07](#))

Latest News from the Aardvark Team

- Aardvark took advantage of a slight fall in UK emissions prices this week to purchase UK allowances on behalf of clients to cover shortfalls against targets. With the deadline for reconciliation against Milestone 3 Climate Change Agreements Targets getting close (7th Feb 2007) these prices could quickly rise if demand increases in January.
- Aardvark is looking to expand the team in 2007. For further information on current vacancies and for all the latest Aardvark news log onto www.aardvarkem.co.uk.

And finally

- **Breeding is bottom line to cut methane** Sheep and cows bred to be less "windy" could have a crucial part in fighting global warming, a leading climate change expert said yesterday. ([The Telegraph 05/01/07](#))