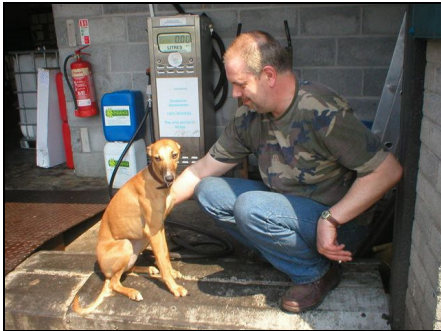


## Summer Greetings Friends of Sundance!

First of all a big welcome back to Alastair...how ever did we manage without him?!



Merlin and Alastair

Alastair is back at the coal face, making biodiesel and helping to design our new plant in conjunction with Martin Steele from Esterco, Cornwall. This is a very exciting time - as many of our regular supporters will be aware, we are finding it increasingly difficult to keep up with demand for biodiesel. Also, since the departure of 4 of our staff members in March and a shortage of funding, it has been a challenge to bear the workload.

Our new plant will enable us to increase production capacity, by approximately fourfold with a potential to produce over 2 million litres per year. We're hoping to have a launch party for our new plant later this year - all very welcome to join us!

In May our newest member Shelley started on a Go Wales placement and has become a

permanent part time staff member. Shelley's smile says it all - she's lovely to have around and has been attending many events, training up on several renewable energy courses and has made a successful grant application to Environment Wales to help with our used oil collection service for ethnic restaurants.



Our amazing assistant Shelly

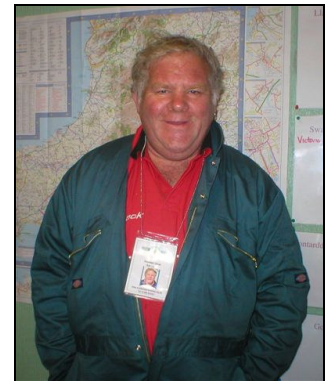
Our young webmistress Sian graduated in Law early this summer from Cardiff University and has since completed a work placement as a research assistant with Mick Bates AM at the National Assembly. The research centred around renewable energy options for a sustainable future in Wales.



Sian at her graduation from Cardiff Uni

Bob our volunteer driver loves helping us out with van driving - when he's not protesting against animal cruelty across the globe!

Bob has also been interviewed recently for Sundance on Sky News when he was looking after our stall at the BGG, with the help of Rachel. It was Bob and Rachel's first time at the BGG and they really enjoyed the experience.



Bob our legendary volunteer driver

Big thanks to all the organisers and everyone who makes the BGG the best Green festival in the UK.

Brig (Chair of the BGG) has promised to wear our "Biodiesel No Wars Required" t-shirt on his next tv appearance - go for it, Brig! Special thanks to Bob on the AMARE field at the BGG who looked after us so well.

### Nuclear Power - No Thanks

The BGG has restarted the campaign against nuclear power as our politicians clearly need re-educating about the whole nuclear debate - which shouldn't be a debate at all!



Alas, the recent energy review turned out the way Tony Blair said it would months before the official announcement....Many people spent a lot of time preparing responses to the Energy Review, to show that renewables and energy efficiency are the sustainable energy scenario for the future. But the government appears determined to proceed with yet another policy that is "Not in Our Name".

Let us hope the government's commitment to energy efficiency will help pave the way for renewables to provide more and more of our energy needs - from microgeneration to larger scale developments. We can help make a difference and support local renewable energy generation.

### Kick the fossil fuel habit

The Stone Age didn't come to an end because we ran out of stones...we are all increasingly aware that the fossil burning era must come to an end. It is folly to continue burning fossil fuels when there are alternatives - 'only when the last tree has died and the last river been poisoned and the last fish been caught will we realise we cannot eat money' (North American Cree saying).

## Sundance Biofuels Strategy for Wales

We are developing a network of local biodiesel and associated biogas production plants, using the waste and co-products from biodiesel manufacture. We aim to help set up local enterprises across Wales and a parallel infrastructure of green filling stations.



Julian Orchard filling up with biodiesel at St Davids

St Davids' Eco City project has set up its own local filling station which is great for all biodiesel users in the area who have joined the group, organised by Julian Orchard. Sundance installed the filling station and supplies the biodiesel on a regular basis with the help of our good friend Geoff of Greyhound Couriers.



Geoff - Greyhound Couriers

Geoff's business is a great advert for our biodiesel as he used to manage 400 miles from a full tank of mineral diesel but now gets 500 miles on a tank of biodiesel.

Since we started selling biodiesel in 2004, we have estimated that over a million miles have been covered using our biodiesel and over 200 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> saved.

Big thank you to Environment Wales for their continued support - so far this year, the only funding we have received has been from Environment Wales.



We do not generate sufficient income to be fully sustainable as yet, although the amount of grant support last year was only 20% of our turnover. This year's annual report will soon be on our website for all to read.

Please don't forget to renew your membership - we value your support ...it's what keeps us going! As one first time user said at the prospect of an alternative source of fuel..."I've been waiting for this moment all my life..." wow!

**Best wishes always and thanks for your support.**