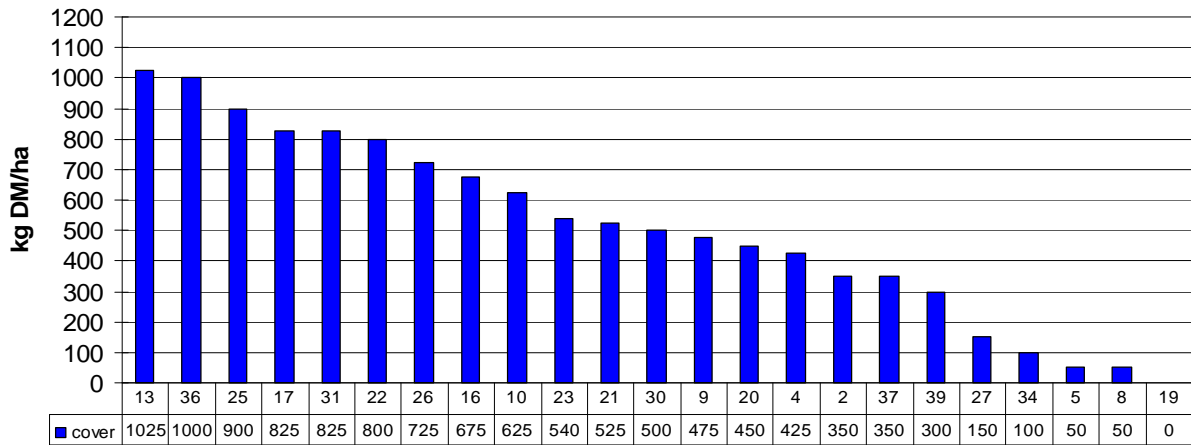


Ballyhaise Weekly report 24/02/2009

1. Farm feed wedge (23/02/09).

Farm cover 489kg DM/ha (158/LU)



2. Total rainfall for the past seven days was 3.9mm.
3. Soil temperature today is 7.5°C.
4. 48% of the herd calved to date (expected mean calving date is 4th March).
5. 15% of farm is grazed, ahead of target (12% on rotation planner).
6. Cows are allocated 7kg grass DM and 5kg of concentrate daily.
7. Average growth for the last 7 days was 10.5kgDM/ha.
8. Post grazing height on the last paddock grazed was 2.9cm.
9. 90% of the farm has received a half bag of Urea per acre; the 10% grazed will receive 2500 gals of watery slurry per acre if ground conditions stay dry.
10. Average milk yield is 15.9kg at 4.21% fat and 3.5% protein (1.22kg MS/cow), lactose 4.61%, SCC 491k, TBC 32k.
11. Critical short term actions :

- Grass allocated on a 12hr basis with strip wire and back fenced.
- Grass allocation based on pre-grazing cover and herd demand.
- Grazing off some wetter paddocks with light covers during dry weather.
- On/off grazing in wet conditions.
- Cows straight to grass as they calve.

