

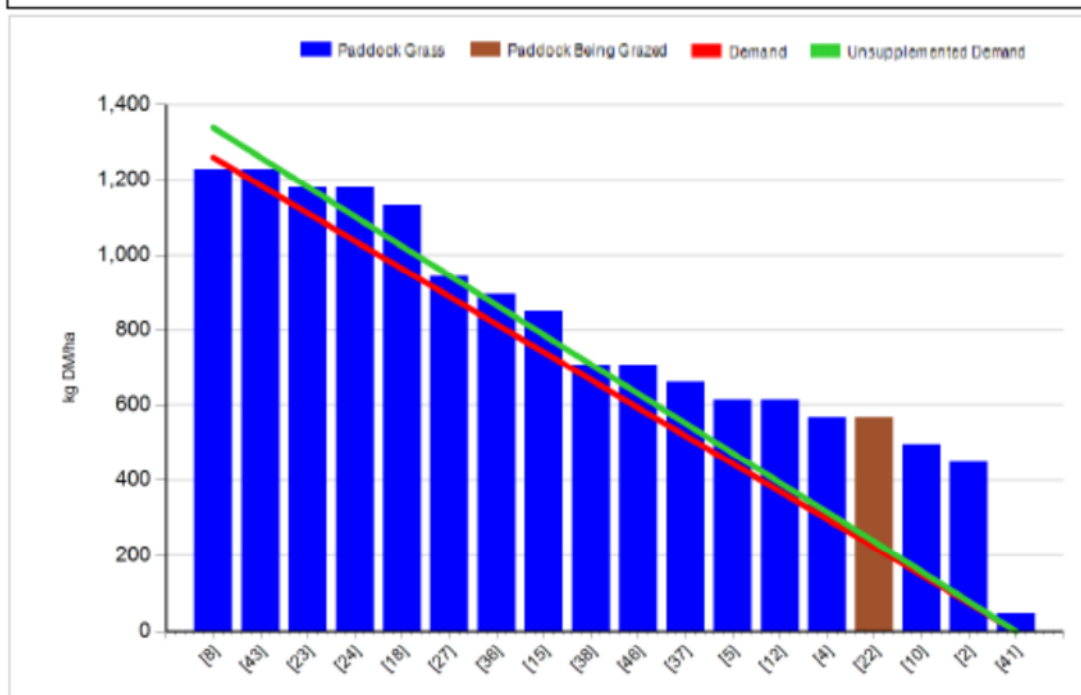
Ballyhaise Farm Walk Notes Tuesday 20-04-15

Figure 1. Early Calving (mean calving date 23rd Feb) feed wedge Tuesday 20/04/15

Rotation Length (days):	21	Silage Fed (kg DM/cow):	0.0
Grass Allocation/Cow (kg DM/cow):	16.0	Residual Height (cm):	4.0
No. of Cows:	59		
Concentrate Fed (kg/cow):	1.0		

Cover Parameters

Grass Allocation/LU (kg DM/LU):	16.0	Growth Rate (kg/ha/day):	48
Total Livestock (LU):	59.0	Farm Demand (kg DM/ha/day):	60
Farm Cover (kg DM/ha):	717	Target Pre-grazing yield (kg DM/ha):	1200
Farm Cover (kg DM/LU):	191	Days Ahead:	12
Stocking Rate (LU/ha):	3.75	LU/ha (Liveweight/ha):	



- 96% of the group have calved
- Average farm cover is 717 kg DM/ha (191 /LU), DM 17%.
- Growth rate for the last 7 days was 48 kg DM/ha/day – soil temperature is 10.5 °C this am.
- 18% of area closed for silage.
- Ground conditions are excellent and cows are getting access to full paddocks.
- Average post grazing residual for the week is 4.0cm.
- Feeding 1kg of Cal mag and mineral carrier ration.
- Between slurry and chemical fertiliser, the whole farm has received approximately 60 units of nitrogen so far.
- There are 7% of animals below BCS of 2.75; these cows are being milked once a day.
- The herd are milking 24.2 kg milk/cow/day and (with latest milk composition details from the co-op of fat 4.62%, protein 3.40%, lactose 4.86% and SCC 203k) are producing 1.94 kg milk solids/cow/day currently.
- To date we have fed 137kg of concentrate and 90kg DM of bale silage per cow.