

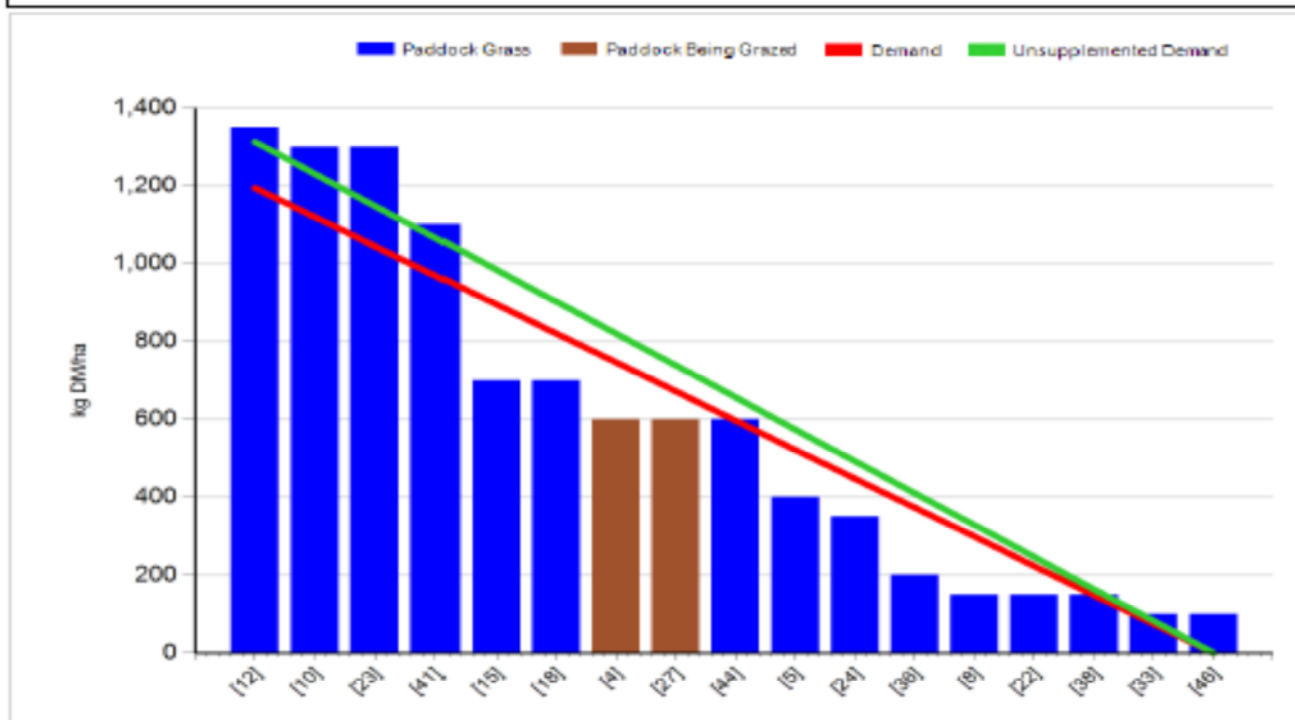
## Ballyhaise Farm Walk Notes Tuesday 02-06-15

Figure 1. Early Calving (mean calving date 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb) feed wedge Tuesday 02/06/15

Rotation Length (days):	21	Silage Fed (kg DM/cow):	0.0
Grass Allocation/Cow (kg DM/cow):	15.0	Residual Height (cm):	4.0
No. of Cows:	60		
Concentrate Fed (kg/cow):	1.5		

### Cover Parameters

Grass Allocation/LU (kg DM/LU):	15.0	Growth Rate (kg/ha/day):	59
Total Livestock (LU):	60.0	Farm Demand (kg DM/ha/day):	57
Farm Cover (kg DM/ha):	576	Target Pre-grazing yield (kg DM/ha):	1194
Farm Cover (kg DM/LU):	152	Days Ahead:	10
Stocking Rate (LU/ha):	3.79	LU/ha (Liveweight/ha):	



- Average farm cover is 576 kg DM/ha (152 /LU), DM 15%.
- Growth rate for the last 7 days was 59 kg DM/ha/day; this is similar to last week.
- Cut 15% of area last week for first cut this averaged (5500DM / ha), 23% of area is still closed and most of this is due to be cut next week.
- Ground conditions challenging and we are using 12 hour strip wire when necessary, on dry days we are allocating in 24 hr blocks.
- Average post grazing residual for the week is 4.4cm; two paddocks have been topped this week to correct poor grazing during last two rotations on these paddocks.
- Feeding 1.5kg of Cal mag and mineral carrier ration.
- Breeding started on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May, 88% of herd submitted in 21 days. Four weeks of breeding done today, 96% submitted.
- The herd are milking 22.8 kg milk/cow/day and (with latest milk composition details from the co-op of fat 4.5%, protein 3.54%, lactose 4.85% and SCC 179k) are producing 1.89 kg milk solids/cow/day currently.
- Cumulative concentrates fed per cow is 208kg.

