Average farm cover is 817 kg DM/ha (282/LU), DM 12%.

Growth rate for the last 7 days was 27 kg DM/ha/day.

Rainfall for last 7 days was 37mm – ground conditions have deteriorated and we are using 12 hr wire and back fencing to protect land from poaching.

The Pre-grazing cover is 2550kg DM/ha.

Started closing on the 1st of October – 73% closed to date, target is to close 70% by 1st November.

Empty cows sold last week to reduce demand.

Average post grazing residual for the week is 3.8cm.

Feeding 3kg of ration and will house at night from this weekend on to stretch out grass supply.

The herd are milking 13.72 litres milk/cow/day and (with latest milk composition details from the co-op of fat 5.01%, protein 4.34%, lactose 4.56% and SCC 170k) are producing 1.32kg milk solids/cow/day currently.

Cumulative concentrates fed per cow is 475kg.

Final scan done 10th Sept – 7% empty after 12 weeks (6 AI + 6 Bulls) and 79% in calf at 6 weeks.

Young stock were weighed at the beginning of September – calves were 175kg and in-calf heifers were 420kg.