

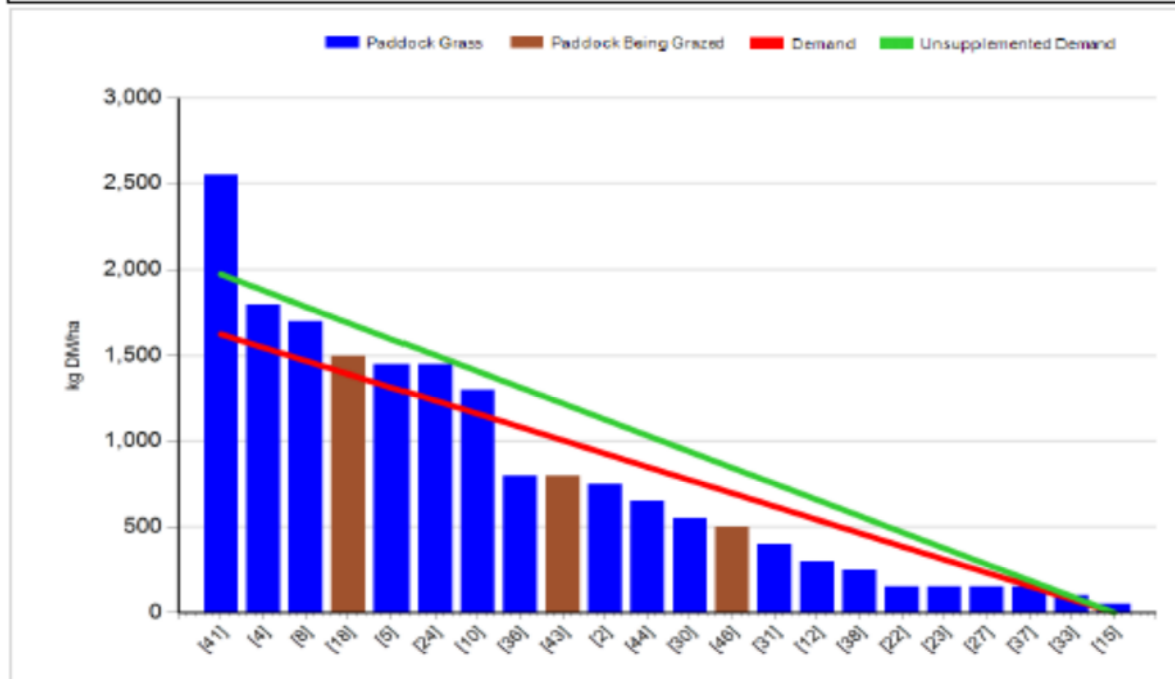
Ballyhaise Farm Walk Notes Tuesday 27-10-2015

Figure 1. Early Calving (mean calving date 23rd Feb) feed wedge Tuesday 27/10/15

Rotation Length (days):	40	Silage Fed (kg DM/cow):	0.0
Grass Allocation/Cow (kg DM/cow):	14.0	Residual Height (cm):	4.0
No. of Cows:	58		
Concentrate Fed (kg/cow):	3.0		

Cover Parameters

Grass Allocation/LU (kg DM/LU):	14.0	Growth Rate:	27
Total Livestock (LU):	58.0	Farm Demand (kg DM/ha/day):	41
Farm Cover (kg DM/ha):	817	Target Pre-grazing yield (kg DM/ha):	1624
Farm Cover (kg DM/LU):	282	Days Ahead:	20
Stocking Rate (LU/ha):	2.90	LU/ha (Liveweightha):	



- 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.

Autumn Budget

