Curtins Farm Walk Notes Tuesday 03-02-09

1. Farm Feed Wedge 02/02/09

![Farm Feed Wedge 2/2/09 761kgDM/ha (230/cow)](chart.png)

2. 56% of the herd is calved, (expected mean calving date is 07/02/09)
3. Cows to grass on 20/01/09, on/off grazing in 2* 3hr blocks with no silage while indoors
4. Cows are being allocated 7kg grass DM and 4kg concentrate (14% protein)
5. Average milk yield is 15kg at 5.94% fat and 3.83% protein (1.46kg MS/cow), Lactose 4.36%, SCC 293k, Thermoduric N/D, Sediment A.
6. Urea was applied to 59% of the farm on 20/01/09 at 23 units/acre with watery slurry applied to 30% of the farm
7. 11% of the farm has a grass cover over 1100kg/DM/ha and will receive slurry after grazing.

8. Critical Short-term Actions:
   - Grass supply is on target (See spring feed budget).
   - Grass allocation will be increased based on the rotation plan while grazing to 3.5cm.
   - All cows go to grass as soon as they calve.
   - On/off grazing in wet weather
Figure 1. Feed budget for spring 2009.

Figure 2. Rotation plan and daily area allocation for spring 2009.