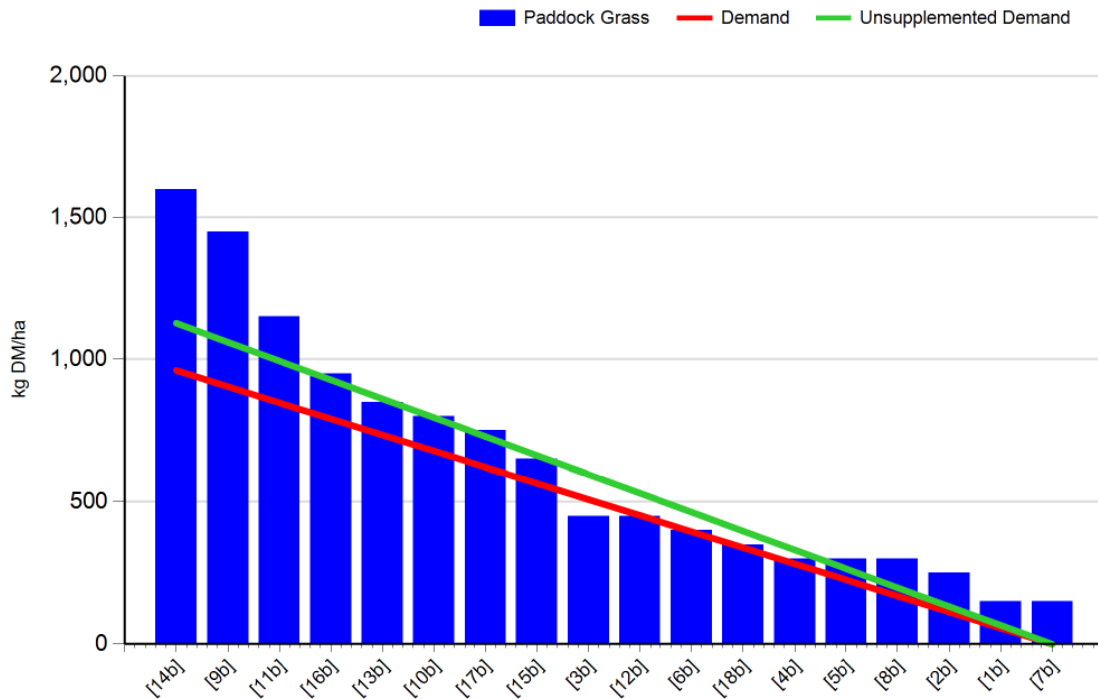


Farm walk notes 16/04/13

- Grass growth rates have increased to 32kg DM/ha/day this week
- Farm cover 632 kg DM/ha (219 kg DM/cow)
- Feed wedge Medium SR (2.94 cows/ha) 16/04/13



- The medium SR herd are on a grass allocation of 14kg grass DM plus 3 kg of concentrate this week. Grass allocation is on a 12 hr basis.
- Paddock 14b and 9b are the last paddocks in the 1st rotation and will be grazed in the next 2 days. Rotation 2 will commence in Paddock 11b (an Aston energy + clover reseed) on the 19th of April.
- Grass utilisation is excellent with a postgrazing height of 3.0cm on Paddock 7

Whole Farm Situation

1. Cows are on 12-hour allocations with a back-fence. Grazing conditions are difficult with the heavy rain. On- Off grazing is being used when rain is forecast. The back fence is used to prevent the re-growth from being grazed.
2. Latest milk composition details from the processor are: Fat 4.44%, Protein 43%, Lactose 4.83% and SCC 149k
3. 4 cows have being treated for cell count so we expect the SCC to drop further, Milk recording and quarter sampling were used to identify affected quarters.
4. Calf weaning has commenced with Friesian calves being weaned at 90kgs and Jersey crossbred calves being weaned at 75kgs.