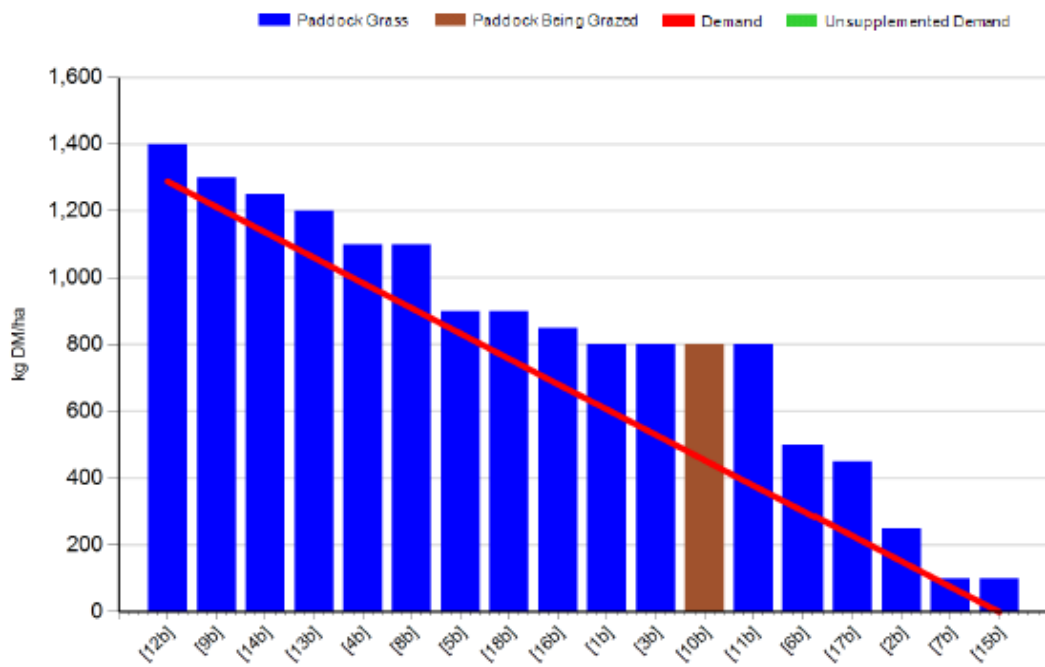
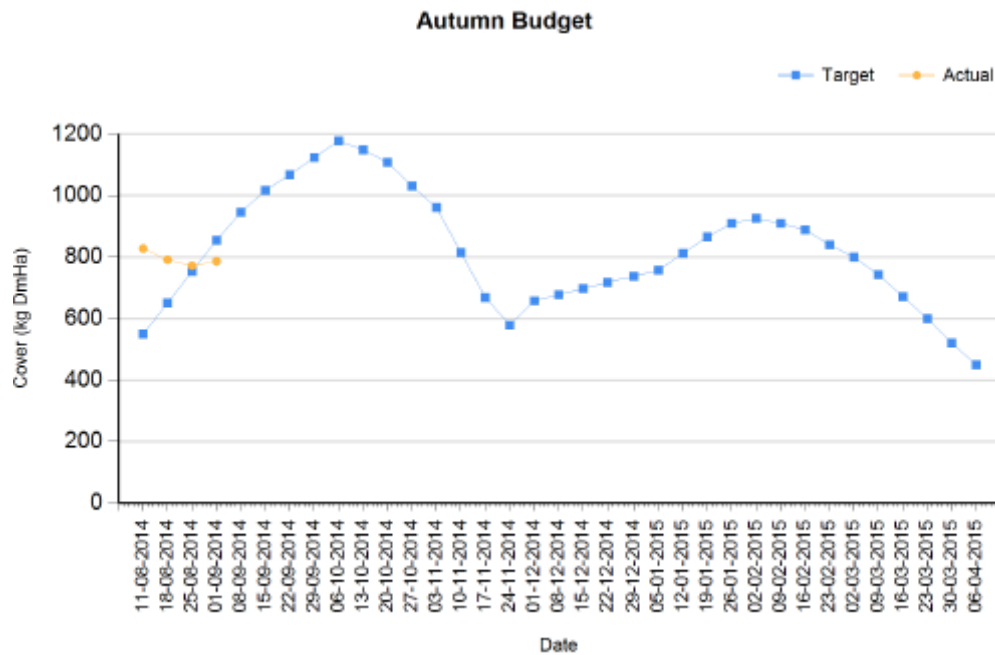


1/09/14
Curtins Farm weekly Farm Walk Notes

Medium SR (2.94 cows/ha)

- Grass growth –64kg DM/ha/day
- Farm cover – 787kg DM/ha (266 kg DM/LU)
- Rotation length – 30 days
- Current stocking rate 2.96 cows/Ha





- Grass growth was good on the farm last week but we are starting to see it increase which is welcomed as we were slipping under our target cover for the time of year.
- Cows are hitting target residual cover of 4 cm grass quality is good.
- Rotation length is at 30 days our plan is to extend this every week by two days and to start building our Autumn cover now.
- The medium SR herd have a daily grass allocation of 14kg this week plus 3.0 kg of a 14% dairy ration per day.
- We are following the grazing herd with 18 units of sulphur-CAN.
- All cows are getting their mineral requirement in the water system.

Overall farm situation

Grass DM was recorded at 14% on the farm walk on Monday morning.

Milk yield is on average 17 litres per day at 4.96% fat, 4.02% protein. SCC is at 134,000.

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Breeding season is now finished and early scanning results indicate a successful breeding season with an empty rate of 9%. 13 week breeding season, 100% AI.

I have included our Autumn Budget planner in this week's notes our plan is to stick to plan as closely as possible to allow us to produce as much milk as possible of grass into the later stages of the season.