



TEAGASC/DAIRYGOLD MONITOR FARM UPDATE



WEEK ENDING 22nd July 2022

Farmer	Location	Litres /Cow	Fat %	Prot %	kg MS /Cow	Meal kg	SCC	Average Farm Cover	Cover /LU	Pre Grazing Yield	Demand /Ha	Growth Rate/Ha
John Walsh	Ballylooby	23.1	4.29	3.67	1.89	1.0	46	671	195	1450	59	54
Tim O'Riordan	Mourneabbey	22.6	3.99	3.57	1.76	5.0	53	816	199	1500	62	100
Jimmy Cotter	Coachford	23.9	4.61	3.66	2.04	1.0	100	645	195	1500	59	55
Joe Morrissey	Rostellan	20.6	4.13	3.56	1.63	4.0	163	649	165	1300	55	40
Mark Lonergan	Rosegreen	24.5	4.26	3.58	1.98	6.0	114	599	170	1250	48	38
Sean Barry	Pallasgreen	22.0	3.88	3.55	1.69	1.0	140	717	230	1400	53	47
Sean Moher	Mitchelstown	22.5	3.98	3.68	1.77	1.8	132	721	217	1650	57	43
Tim Leader	Rathcoole	22.1	4.06	3.58	1.74	2.0	189	651	185	1400	56	62
Tom O'Connell	Inniscarra	20.9	4.49	3.77	1.78	3.0	132	750	194	1550	58	58
Raymond Goggin	Templemartin	25.6	3.89	3.51	1.95	5.0	128	490	120	1200	49	47
<b>Average</b>		<b>22.8</b>	<b>4.16</b>	<b>3.61</b>	<b>1.82</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>1420</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>54</b>

**John & Brendan Walsh Update**

Grass has recovered from the dry spell last month when the grazing rotation went to 30 days and cows were fed silage for 10days with meal peaking at 4kg/cow/day.60% of the milking platform is now in **clover** and has received no chemical nitrogen since March.Brendan feels the lack of rain in May had a knock on effect to clover nitrogen fixing in June and early July.Grass only fields are getting 16units N/acre of **Protected urea** (38:0:0+S) per rotation. Breeding finished on 30 June after 10weeks. The Walshs may scan heifers as they used **sexed semen** using FTAI this year. Calves have been wormed once so far.Walshs have **dung sampled** them twice this season and use results to make their decision on dosing. The **red clover silage sward** has been cut twice, total yield so far 11tonnes DM/ha with 2 rounds of slurry applied (6000gallons/acre total) and no chemical Nitrogen. Optimum soil fertility is KEY



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