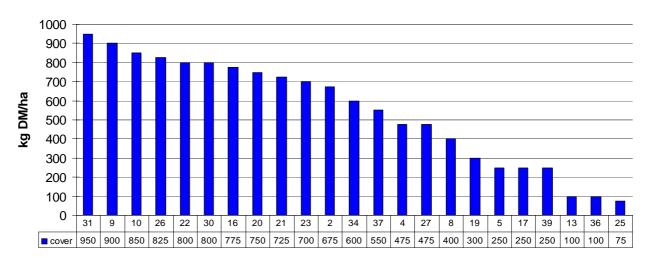
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1. Farm feed wedge (09/03/09).

Farm cover 540kg DM/ha (174/LU)



- 2. Total rainfall for the past seven days was 31.5mm.
- 3. Soil temperature today is 5°C.
- 4. 65% of the herd calved to date (expected mean calving date is 4th March).
- 5. 29.5% of farm is grazed, ahead of target (28.7% on rotation planner).
- 6. Cows are allocated 10kg grass DM and 4kg of concentrate daily.
- 7. Grass DM is 16%.
- 8. Average growth for the last 7 days was 15.4kgDM/ha.
- 9. Post grazing height on the last paddock grazed was 4.5cm.
- 10. Average milk yield is 18.77kg at 4.9% fat and 3.39% protein (1.55kg MS/cow), lactose 4.74%, SCC 394k, TBC 48k.
- 11. Critical short term actions:
 - Grass allocated on a 12hr basis with strip wire and back fenced.
 - Grass allocation based on pre-grazing cover and herd demand.
 - On/off grazing in wet conditions.
 - Cows housed and fed silage for 4 grazings due to wet ground conditions.
 - Cows straight to grass as they calve.

Figure 1. Feed budget for spring 2009.

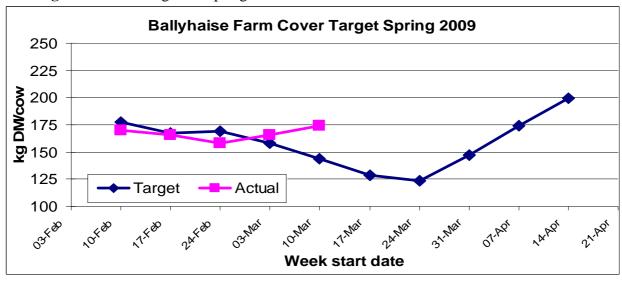


Figure 2. Rotation plan and daily area allocation for spring 2009.

