

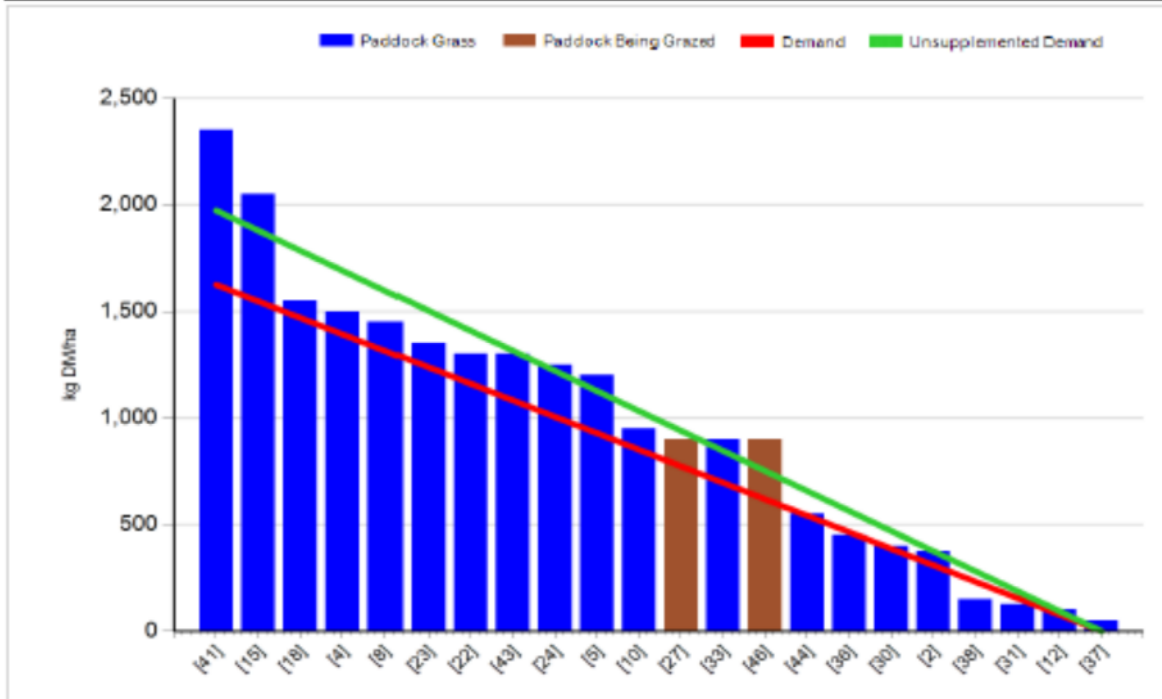
Ballyhaise Farm Walk Notes Tuesday 19-10-2015

Figure 1. Early Calving (mean calving date 23rd Feb) feed wedge Monday 19/10/15

Rotation Length (days):	40	Silage Fed (kg DM/cow):	0.0
Grass Allocation/Cow (kg DM/cow):	14.0	Residual Height (cm):	4.0
No. of Cows:	58		
Concentrate Fed (kg/cow):	3.0		

Cover Parameters

Grass Allocation/LU (kg DM/LU):	14.0	Growth Rate:	42
Total Livestock (LU):	58.0	Farm Demand (kg DM/ha/day):	41
Farm Cover (kg DM/ha):	978	Target Pre-grazing yield (kg DM/ha):	1624
Farm Cover (kg DM/LU):	337	Days Ahead:	24
Stocking Rate (LU/ha):	2.90	DM/ha (Liveweight/ha):	



- Average farm cover is 978 kg DM/ha (337/LU), DM 15%.
- Growth rate for the last 7 days was 42 kg DM/ha/day.
- Rainfall for last 7 days was 8mm – ground conditions are good – using a 12 hr wire.
- The Pre-grazing cover is 1500kg DM / ha.
- Started closing on the 1st of October – 49% closed to date, target is to close 70% by 1st November, currently grazing lower covers to get more area grazed.
- Plan to sell empty cows this week to reduce demand.
- Average post grazing residual for the week is 4.1cm.
- Feeding 3kg of ration – as per budget.
- The herd are milking 14.5 litres milk/cow/day and (with latest milk composition details from the co-op of fat 4.78%, protein 4.16%, lactose 4.59% and SCC 176k) are producing 1.33kg milk solids/cow/day currently.
- Cumulative concentrates fed per cow is 455kg.
- Final scan done 10th Sept – 7% empty after 12 weeks (6 AI + 6 Bulls) and 79% in calf at 6 weeks.
- Young stock were weighed at the beginning of September – calves were 175kg and in-calf heifers were 420kg.

Autumn Budget

