



Key Weekly Information

	2024/25	11-Mar-25	18-Mar-25	Change	11-Mar-25	18-Mar-25	Change	19-Mar-24
		Standard	Standard		Future	Future		Whole farm
Farm Area	Grazing area available to milkers - ha	173.6	173.6	↑	91.6	91.6	-	276
	Winter & springer area - ha	26.1	26.1	-	10.4	10.4	-	17.4
Stock Numbers	Cows milking into vat	490	471	↓	204	208	↑	NA
	Cows milking NOT into vat - treated	11	9	↓	7	3	↓	NA
	Total cows milking	501	480	-	210	211	-	712
	Once a day milking cows	63	63	-	29	29	-	NA
	Sick Cows	8	16	↑	10	4	↓	18
	Average BCS	4.6	4.7	↑	4.5	4.7	↑	4.6
	BCS 4.0 or less (%)	22	16	-	22	19	-	11
Milk production	Current Bulk milk SCC	140	112	↓	141	132	↓	114
	Milk solids per cow	1.77	1.69	↓	2.04	1.86	↓	1.74
	Protein:Fat ratio (%)	0.73	0.77	↑	0.75	0.78	↑	0.8
	Milk Urea N	30.6	28.3	↓	29.1	35.5	↑	26.4
	FEI	9.02	8.42	↓	6.36	5.52	↑	5.64
Feed Budget	Average pasture cover (kg DM/ha)	2339	2320	-	2454	2370	↓	2385
	Current Pasture fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	13.3	11.9	↓	16.9	14.3	↓	16.9
	Current Silage fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	0.6	2.0	↑	0.0	2.6	↑	2.1
	Current Inshed feed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	2.7	3.0	↑	2.1	2.1	-	-
	Current PKE in trailers - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	1.9	1.6	↓	0.0	0.0	-	0
	Current per cow (kg DM/cow/day allocation)	18.5	18.5	-	19.0	19.0	-	19
	Stocking rate	2.9	2.8	↓	2.3	2.3	-	2.6
	Current Pasture demand - milkers (kg DM/ha)	38	33	↑	39	33	↑	44
	Pasture growth rate	38	39	-	42	32	↓	40
	Pre-graze cover target (for week coming)	2900	2900	-	3000	3000	-	2700-3000
	Residual (average for week past)	1830	1810	↓	1844	1800	↓	1700
	Round length (actual)	28	32	↑	32	33	↑	30
Farm Conditions	Soil temperature average (degree C)	17.8			16.3			13.7
	Rainfall (mm)	25			21.4			28.2
	Rainfall season to date (mm)	735			784			864
	Soil conditions	Dry			Damp			NA
People	Current Roster	6.2			6.2			
	Health and safety incidences	0			0			
	Milking routine	TAD & OAD			TAD & OAD			TAD & OAD
Key decisions/actions this week	<p>General Requested quality analysis on potential silage to purchase Hold rotation length around 32-35 days Maintain a minimum of 18 day return time for new grass paddocks Pasture DM% ranging between 15.8 and 20.7% Pasture quality range 11.1-12.5 MJ ME/kg DM: 18-25% crude protein; 38-45% NDF; 18.3-25.7% Non structural carbohydrates Prioritising paddocks for deep aeration as wont be able to do all potential paddocks this autumn; will use the ground hog on lower priority paddocks</p> <p>Standard herd Direct supplementary feed costs from last week = \$2.86/cow/day and \$16.90 estimated milk revenue Swede yields currently range between 6.0 and 10.6 T DM/ha; leaf DM of 10-11% and bulb DM of 8-10% Next 30 culls to go on the 24th March - lowest producing empties, 7 Johnes positive animals and some discretionary culls Resort herds into early calving lighter cows vs later calving and cows already at calving BCS and prioritise the better quality paddocks to the early calving lighter cows</p> <p>Future herd Increase inshed feeding by 0.5 kg DM/cow/day to reduce reliance on silage - PKE proportion now 50% to balance supplement cost with desire to reduce reliance on non locally grown supplement First 8 culls to go on 24th March - lowest producing empty cows Current direct supplementary feed costs - \$2.09/cow/day and \$18.60 estimated milk revenue 32 bales of baleage harvested from Italian paddocks for wintering</p>							