

Key Weekly Information

	2024/25	18-Mar-25	25-Mar-25	ge	18-Mar-25	25-Mar-25	ge	26-Mar-24
		Standard	Standard	Change	Future	Future	Change	Whole farm
Farm Area	Grazing area available to milkers - ha	173.6	173.6	↑	91.6	91.6	-	267
	Winter & springer area - ha	26.1	26.1	-	10.4	10.4	-	17.4
Stock Numbers	Cows milking into vat	471	472	4	208	207	1	NA
	Cows milkng NOT into vat - treated	9	8	+	3	4	Ψ.	NA
	Total cows milking	480	480	-	211	211	-	672
	Once a day milking cows	63	30	+	29	15	4	NA
	Sick Cows	16	10	+	4	10	1	18
	Average BCS	4.7	4.7	-	4.7	4.7	-	4.6
	BCS 4.0 or less (%)	16	16	-	19	19	-	11
Milk production	Current Bulk milk SCC	112	133	+	132	189	4	129
	Milk solids per cow	1.69	1.62	4	1.86	1.83	4	1.71
	Protein:Fat ratio (%)	0.77	0.76	+	0.78	0.77	4	0.8
	Milk Urea N	28.3	24.9	+	35.5	26.5	4	27.2
	FEI	8.42	7.7	+	5.52	4.46	4	5.36
	Average pasture cover (kg DM/ha)	2320	2472	-	2370	2518	4	2499
Feed Budget	Current Pasture fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	11.9	13.1	+	14.3	16.4	+	18.25
	Current Silage fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	2.0	1.0	1	2.6	0.5	1	
	Current Inshed feed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	3.0	3.4	·	2.1	2.1	-	0.75
	Current PKE in trailers - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	1.6	1.0	→	0.0	0.0	-	0
	Current per cow (kg DM/cow/day allocation)	18.5	18.5	_	19.0	19.0	-	19
	Stocking rate	2.8	2.8	+	2.3	2.3	-	2.5
	Current Pasture demand - milkers (kg DM/ha)	33	36	1	33	38	1	46
	Pasture growth rate	39	64	_	32	71	4	58
	Pre-graze cover target (for week coming)	2900	3000	_	3000	3100	-	3000-3500
	Residual (average for week past)	1810	1800	→	1800	1900	1	1800
	Round length (actual)	32	33	^	33	34	1	31
Farm Conditions	Soil temperature average (degree C)	17.8			16.2	٥.		14.7
	Rainfall (mm)	25	6.4					16
	Rainfall season to date (mm)	735	800					880
	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

Genera

Hold rotation length of 32-35 days

Maintain a minimum of 18 day return time for new grass paddocks

Have narrowed the list of paddocks for aeration - criteria include season to date pasture growth, soil structure, year of establishment and notes from farmwalks in spring

Will close the silage stack and use PKE to top up any shortfall in the Standard herds

Move copper sulphate mat to the exit race and assess if it stays cleaner than in the entrance to the platform

Purchased baleage to be distributed evenly around wintering paddocks, better quality batches to be prioritised to the Future herd

Standard herd

Direct supplementary feed costs from last week = \$2.33/cow/day and \$16.20 estimated milk revenue

Key decisions/actions this week our seven criteria 30 cows removed from the milking herd went on Monday - lowest producing empties, Johnes positive, staph positive and discretionary removals based on our seven criteria

8 high genetic merit animals to be identified to move to the Future herd for next season to make up wintering numbers and allow us to mantain genetic gain in the Future herd

New herds established - Standard 1 = lighter early calving in one herd Standard 2 = heavier, later calvers

Standard 1 herd will be prioritised to the better quality pasture paddocks

Decrease inshed feeding to Standard 2 to 2 kg DM/cow/day

Future herd

Current direct supplementary feed costs - \$1.26/cow/day and \$18.30 estimated milk revenue

Decrease inshed feeding to 2 kg DM/cow and reassess based on residuals; no silage required

8 of the lowest producing empty cows removed on Monday, based on age, udder, mastitis status and lameness Last silage cut from winter italian paddocks to be done before 25 April to allow pregraze cover of 2800 by 1 June