



Key Weekly Information

	2024/25	29-Jan-25	05-Feb-25	05-Feb-25	31-Jan-24
		Whole farm	Standard	Future	Whole farm
Farm Area	Grazing area available to milkers - ha	236	153.7	82.9	247
	Winter & springer area - ha	59	43.1	16.2	43.5
Stock Numbers	Cows milking into vat	711	503	210	NA
	Cows milking NOT into vat - treated	10	6	2	NA
	Total cows milking	721	509	212	713
	Once a day milking cows	271	182	81	NA
	Sick Cows	28	11	3	14
	Dry cows on farm	1	0	0	0
	Average BCS	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4
	BCS 4.0 or less (%)	48	24	32	15
Milk production	Current Bulk milk SCC	152	183	147	120
	Milk solids per cow	1.67	1.56	1.72	1.82
	Protein:Fat ratio (%)	0.79	0.79	0.77	0.77
	Milk Urea N	18	18.2	18.7	17.2
	FEI	5.94	5.81	5.27	6.88
Feed Budget	Average pasture cover (kg DM/ha)	2123	2207	2394	2470
	Current Pasture fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	16.3	12.3	16.6	17.7
	Current Silage fed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	0.0	2.3	0.3	1.3
	Current Inshed feed - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	2.5	2.7	2.1	
	Current PKE in trailers - milkers (kg DM/cow/day)	0.0	1.5	0.0	0
	Current per cow (kg DM/cow/day allocation)	18.8	18.8	19.0	19
	Stocking rate	3.1	3.3	2.6	2.9
	Current Pasture demand - milkers (kg DM/ha)	50	41	42	51
	Pasture growth rate	35	36	44	54
	Pre-graze cover target (for week coming)	2600-2700	2600	2800	2700-3000
	Residual (average for week past)	1840	1800	1825	1700
	Round length (actual)	27	26	29	29
Farm Conditions	Soil temperature average (degree C)	18.8	18.4		17.2
	Rainfall (mm)	22	0		47.8
	Rainfall season to date (mm)	704	704		727
	Soil conditions	Normal	Drying out		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>Increased supplementary feeding to Standard herds as pre-graze covers have dropped again and cow behaviour and residuals have indicated they have been tight for feed this week - target 3 kg DM/cow inshed, 2.6 kg DM/cow/day PKE in trailers and 1.8 kg DM/cow/day baleage.</p> <p>Future herd being offered 2.3 kg DM/cow/day inshed feed.</p> <p>First new grass paddocks will be nipped off this week. To reduce risk of nitrate poisoning cows will graze half a paddock for 1-2 hours each day on the way to the dairy in the afternoon. Supplementary feed will be adjusted accordingly.</p> <p>Pasture DM currently sitting between 16.7 and 23.2% (excluding new grass paddocks).</p> <p>Winter Italian paddocks in the Future farmlet will be conserved for baleage in the next weather window.</p> <p>Silage for the spring pit is 2-3 weeks away from harvest.</p> <p>8 culls left the farm this week - mainly low producers and poor udders.</p> <p>First scan completed - 75 and 71% 6 WICR for the standard and future herds respectively.</p> <p>Decision rules for OAD milking and priority feeding adjusted to take into account pregnancy status as well as age and BCS, reducing the number of animals on OAD milking but similar numbers on priority feeding.</p> <p>100 kg NProtect/ha applied to the swede crops using the drone and one paddock sprayed for weeds.</p> <p>N has been ordered for grass paddocks for Friday but if rain forecast changes this will be reassessed. While we are getting some dews, we need at least 10 mm rain within 2-3 days of applying N to get the best response.</p> <p>Remaining calves at the support block will leave for the grazier on Friday; 21 surplus calves for sale.</p>				