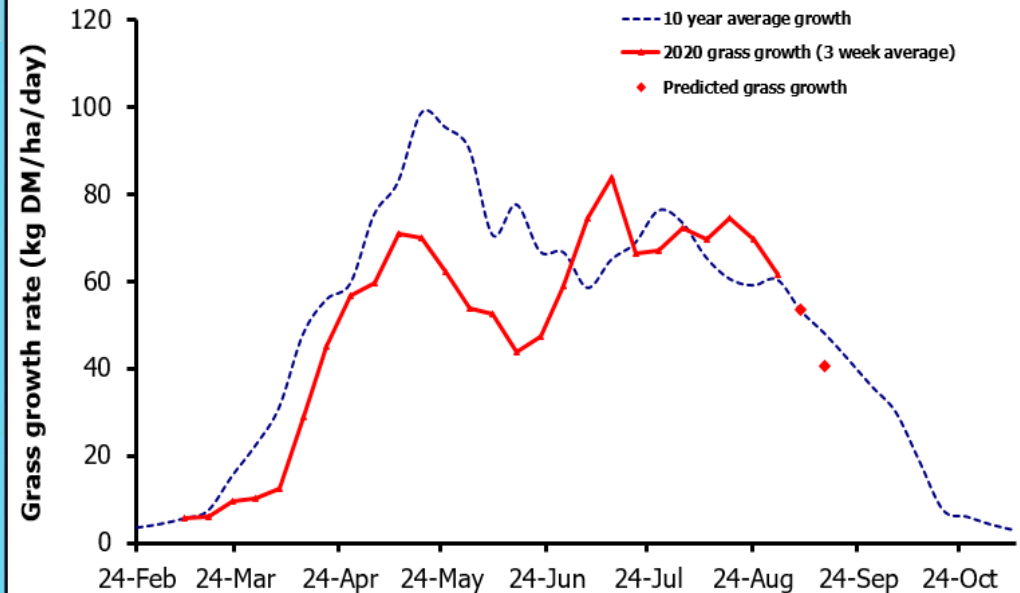
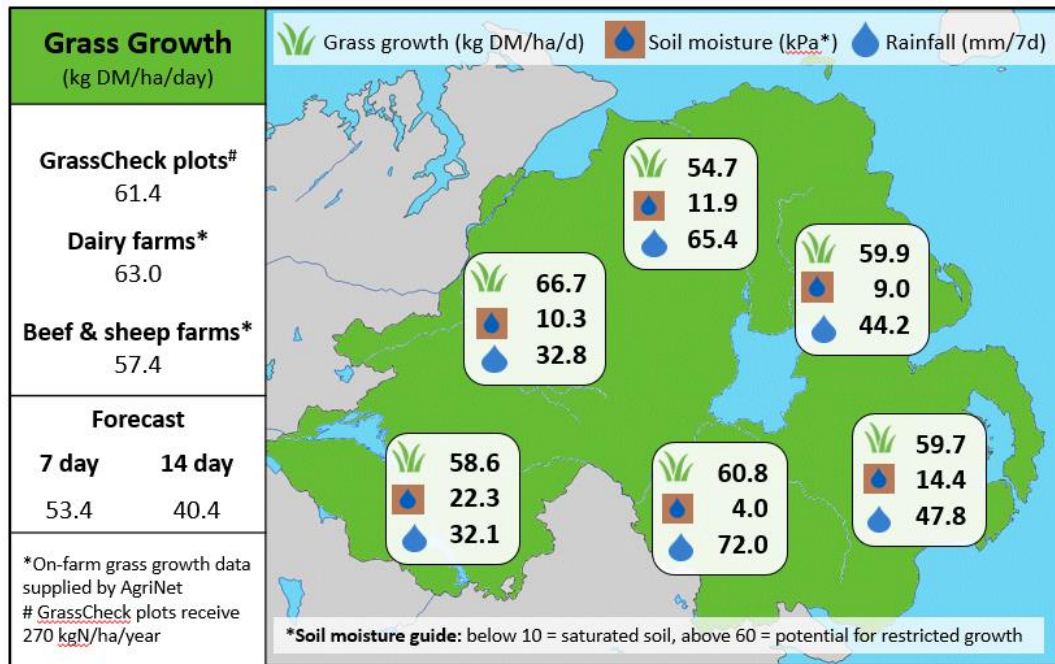


Week Beginning 31st August 2020



MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Although low DM% and ME values will have made it difficult to achieve expected M+ and ADG values over the past week, the drier weather now forecast should help to improve grazing conditions and intakes this week.
- Grass growth rates have remained close to the average of 60.2 kg DM/ha/d for late August/Early September despite the difficult weather, and are averaging 61.4 kg on the GrassCheck plots and 60.1 kg on GrassCheck farms.
- Plot yields for August were 2.43 t DM/ha, 0.2 t above the long-term average of 2.23 t. However, yields to-date from the GrassCheck plots remain behind the long-term av. of 10.9 t DM/ha for March-August at 9.3 t, down by 1.6 t.

Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
Dairy – maintenance plus (M+) (kg/cow/day)*	10.1	DM (%)	11.5
Growing animals – daily live weight gain (kg/head/day)**	0.89	ME (MJ/kg DM)	10.7
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg and 12.0 kg DMI		CP (% DM)	22.0
**Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain, and 6.6 kg DMI		WSC (% DM)	5.6