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We wish you a Happy, Safe & Profitable year for 2018!

January Top Crop Tips

BEANS

2017 was another record year for beans with yields more than 3tonne/acre achieved. Along with the protein premium, beans were one of the most profitable crops last harvest.

Beans are one of the most beneficial crops you can grow, with the real benefits seen in the subsequent crop of cereals with yield benefits of up to 0.5tonne per acre. They are a legume so no chemical N needed. 3 bags/acre of 0-7-30 is the usual fertiliser requirement.

Very popular crop on larger tillage farms as allows the spread of work-load.

Sow from Feb 1st to mid-March. (Early sown = Early harvest)

OUR PREMIUM DAIRY NUTS RANGE:

Elite Dairy 14

- ✓ 14% crude Protein
- ✓ High energy nut based on Maize, Beet Pulp & Golden Distillers
- ✓ Designed to boost energy in the freshly calved cow.
- ✓ Delivers optimum levels of digestible fibre to improve rumen performance on lush paddocks

Mega Milk 16

- ✓ High energy nut for lactating dairy cows both on silage or grass based diet#
- ✓ Over 70% of formulation composed Maize, Beet pulp, Soya Bean and Barley
- ✓ Can be used to minimise Negative Energy Balance in freshly calved cows on silage based diets.

Elite Dairy 18

- ✓ Our most popular Winter dairy nut
- ✓ Very high UFL energy value to boost milk solids and minimise body condition loss
- ✓ Ideal for high yielding herds (+30L/ day) on grass silage based diets

If you would like to enquire which Dairy Nut best suits your system, contact a member of our technical sales team.

COVER CROPS

For those of you lucky enough to get cover crops sown in September for the Glas scheme, they can be burned off with glyphosate from December 1. For crops sown in October under the Glas scheme, they cannot be burned off until end of January. Alternatively these crops can be grazed from the same dates they can be burned off.

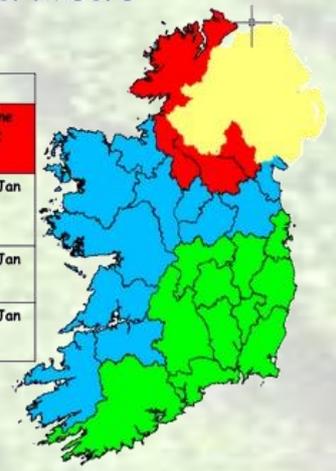
The benefits of these crops are really been seen in recent times through yield benefits in the following crops. Through a combination different varieties, their ability to aid soil organic matter, soil structure, compaction and prevention of nutrient leaching is bringing a huge boost into long term tillage soils.

Varieties available- Fuego, Boxer & Fanfare



Prohibited application periods for fertilisers

Fertiliser type	Start date	Prohibited application period		
		Zone A	Zone B	Zone C
Chemical	15 Sept to	12 Jan	15 Jan	31 Jan
Organic	15 Oct to	12 Jan	15 Jan	31 Jan
Farmyard Manure	1 Nov to	12 Jan	15 Jan	31 Jan



EWE & LAMB PERFORMANCE TESTIMONIAL



“Colostrum, milk yield and healthy lambs at birth, that’s why we use Grennan’s Elite Ewe and Lamb 20% nuts” – John & Paul Curley

Father and son team John and Paul Curley from Four Roads, Roscommon, manage a flock of 220 Belclare crossbred ewes Lambing from mid-February onwards alongside 25 suckler cows on their farm near Four Roads in Co Roscommon.

Maximising fertility levels and finishing lambs as efficiently as possible from grass are the key targets set by John and Paul for their sheep enterprise. This year they achieved an overall scanning percentage of 202%.

The Curley’s feed **Nugget Elite Ewe & Lamb 20% pellets**. This nut is designed as a pre-and post-lambing ration for highly prolific flocks scanning two lambs per ewe. It is a very high quality nut supporting the Curley’s aim of maximising milk supply in the lactating ewe, thereby increasing lamb vigour and overall output on farm.

“We work closely with the team at J Grennan & Sons to ensure that each ewe receives the feed she requires to maximise the number of healthy lambs that are born and to ensure that each mother has enough milk to meet the needs of her new born lambs” – John Curley

When you start calving/lambing it will help you to hit the ground running by having the materials listed below on the pre-calving/lambing essentials Checklist.

Also, a great help to any farmer calving cows is the Moocall calving aid. This device will alert you to a cow starting to calve, and keep you updated on its progress. It is a great labour saving device for anyone rearing calves.

Like last year we will be stocking the revolutionary Pyon milk warmer calf feeder. For more information on any of the above products call into any of our branches.

CALVING PRODUCTS



REVIVA

The energy drink to revive freshly calved cows.

- ✓ Containing all the electrolytes, calcium and energy a cow needs to quickly restore her nutrient balance after calving.
- ✓ Reviva stimulates dry matter intake after calving, which helps in maintaining good milk production and body condition.

Pre-calving/lambing essentials Checklist

- Calving jack
- Ropes
- Gloves
- Iodine
- Reviva
- Calciject
- Magniject
- Agri-gel (vetlube)
- Superstart colostrum

CRYPTOSHIELD

New product designed to fight of cryptosporidium scours. It fights the crypto cells and prevents them attaching to the gut by increasing gut health, strength and function.

- ✓ Reducing E coli, salmonella and clostridia scours. It has been extensively trailed and the benefits of maintaining a health gut.
- ✓ Shows an extra 7kg of weight gain in calves along with reduced vet bills.
- ✓ Antibiotic free
- ✓ Extensively tested in Ireland and the US