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Commodities Update



Thinking Of Sowing Clover This Spring

Are you thinking of sowing some clover next spring due to rising fertiliser costs? It's definitely a good idea because you've potentially got 100-150kgN/ac when you plant 2kg/ac clover seed.

However, I can tell you that if you are thinking about it, then so is everyone else and let's be honest there are plenty of articles in our newsletters, and others, advocating the use of clover with high fertiliser prices. [Read more](#)

Christmas Is Coming.....

I really hate to be mentioning that dreaded 'C' word already, seriously I really, really hate to be mentioning it but I'm already starting to get suppliers speak to me about organising deliveries for Christmas. [Read more](#)



Take The Bull By The Horns

It is time we started thinking outside the box!

With rising fertiliser prices should you not be looking at what farm waste streams you produce and the resulting nutrient value?

The nutrient content of cattle slurry will vary with animal type and diet and especially with slurry dilution with water. [Read more](#)

Cost Of Production 2021

As we move into uncertain times with higher input prices which seem to be with us for the foreseeable future. The challenges of scarce labour and decommissioning of BPS it is now so important to look at what it is costing you to produce a litre of milk, a kilo of beef or lamb. [Read more](#)



Making More Of Your Fertiliser

With fertiliser prices continuing to rise daily, it has begun to sharpen the mind of many as how to make the best use of the fertiliser available to you.

There is no single answer, and none of the following suggestions below are right or wrong but just focusing on **Management Practices**. [Read more](#)



What Is A Red Tractor Pre-Audit and What Are The Benefits?

I recently visited a farm to complete a Red Tractor pre-audit following a phone call from the concerned farmer who wasn't confident that his paperwork and farm were going to meet Red Tractor standards.

Firstly, we looked through the paperwork that he had from previous audits, and we discussed what was missing. I was able to provide him with the correct templates (both at the meeting and via email afterwards), and help him fill them in, it was a good chance to get the admin up to date, to get up to date livestock diet plans from his nutritionist and to contact his vet for his up-to-date livestock health and performance review. [Read more](#)



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