

# MOZ THE DOG'S BLOG

## *'Tails from the Farm'*

Yet another wet and windy week has left Grumpy the Farms Manager extra grumpy to the extent that he has taken to ignoring all the weather forecasts, not speaking to other farmers about the weather and going out early in the morning before the sun is up to avoid looking at the puddles.

February is usually one of my favourite times due to the six nations being shown on the TV. Afternoon snoozes while he twitches and shouts at the screen, I haven't got the heart to tell him he's past it!! Currently the best comment I've heard is, and I quote 'my granny could have kicked that in her wellies'

We went to a farmer's gathering last week to look at fields growing different cover crops. The idea is to improve soil structure, retain nutrients by stopping leaching and run off and provide feed for wildlife. I am sure this was a common practice back in the old days so why rotations and fertility building crops are so exciting is beyond me, farmers have been at this for years!! Downside to a cover crop for me is that they are green, wet and are irritating on my belly - hard to avoid when your stature is on the small side!!

The other topic that has been discussed is the 'hungry gap'. Apparently, January, February and March are the months we need to feed all the small birds as there is little food left on the ground. To help with this, the farm staff and game keepers are out spinning seeds and feed on the hard tracks around the estate. Keep your bird feeders full and clean them regularly. Grumpy doesn't seem to have a hungry gap as at the farmers gathering, he filled his with two bars of chocolate and a double sausage and bacon bap! Much like he does most days if we're being honest...That's all for now!



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