Once a Day milking conference Jan 2019

ED PAYNE, HILLTOP DAIRIES

Who are we?

Family farm

Converted to Dairy in 2011

Milking on two units since Feb 2018

Two thirds TAD, One third OAD

WHY????

Whole business decision

Less Stress

Allows Business flexibility

Why Not!

What we have done

Whole herd 45% heifers

No heifers on OAD

TAD herd 70% heifers

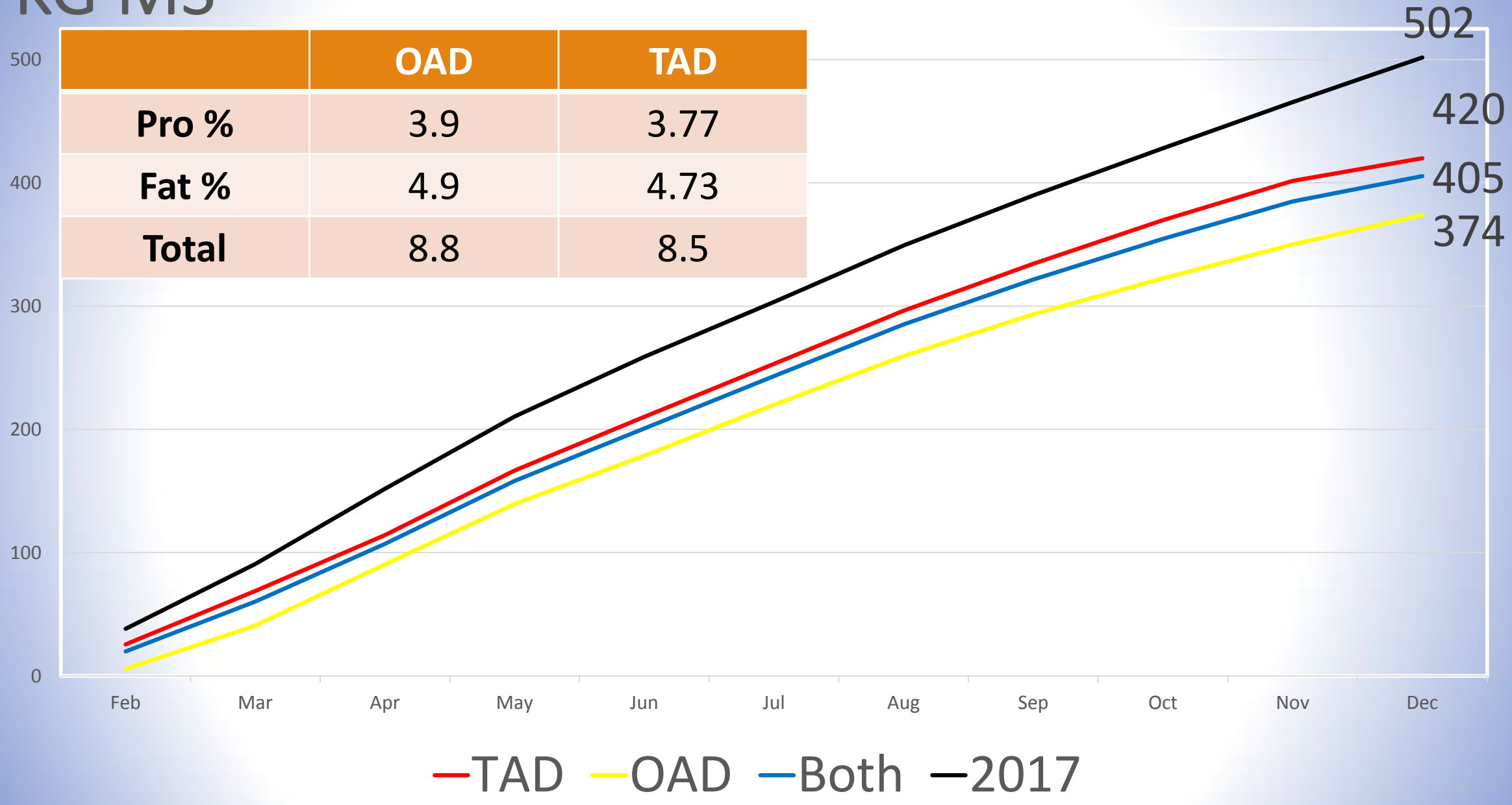
Late calvers on OAD

Other Points

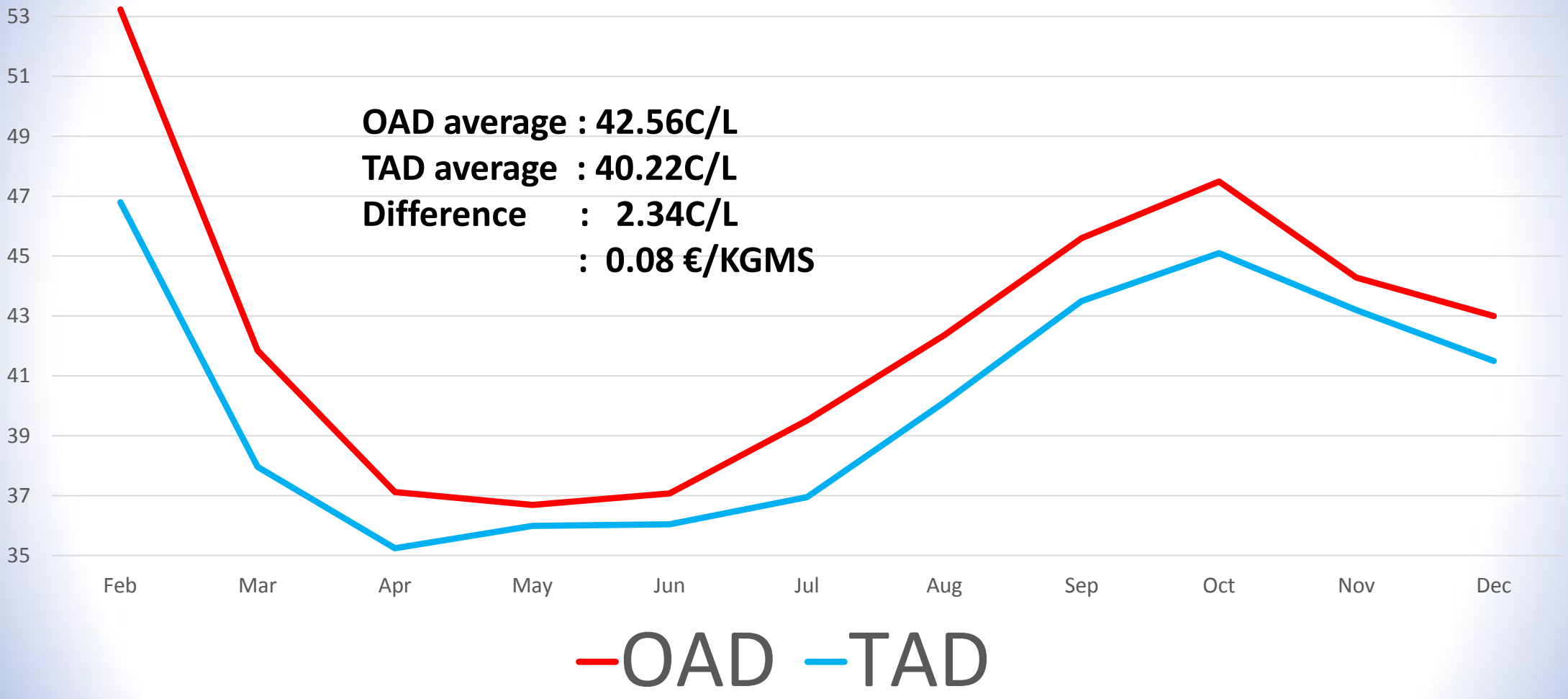
- **Fertility**
- **SCC**
- **Moved 10% of OAD herd to TAD**

KG MS

	OAD	TAD
Pro %	3.9	3.77
Fat %	4.9	4.73
Total	8.8	8.5



Milk Price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OAD average : 42.56C/L
TAD average : 40.22C/L
Difference : 2.34C/L
: 0.08 €/KGMS
–OAD –TAD

What Next

Find Core OAD herd

Add Late Calvers

Improve Grassland management

More mature herd

Hilltop Dairies
wishes you
all a great Spring