

**GAEC DES PRES**  
Baruptel  
6300 Thiers



**Mixed grassland system (Milk sheep, milk cows & arable)**  
**Partnership with employees**

### Background

- Family farm since 3 generations (Parents) with milk cows
- 1991 – start of milk sheep activity & employment of 1st farm employee
- 2001-Creation of GAEC when 3 sons set up as farmers with increase in milk cow activity to 150 cows and the milk sheep activity to 350 ewes)

### Geographic-climate context

Height above sea level 300m  
Soil quality varies between the two sites (acid soil)

### Farmland 330ha

(25% in floodable zone)  
140 ha of perm pasture  
70 ha of temp pasture  
65 ha of cereals  
35 ha of maize silage  
20 ha of grain maize



### Staff

GAEC of 3 partners & 1 employee

### Economics

Milk price 1,10€/L  
Ave price per slaughter lamb 155€



### Sheep flock

360 Lacaune milking ewes in total for 300 ewes milked  
70,000 litres of milk = 240 litres/ewe milked from January to July/September  
Milk sold to Terre-Dieu dairy

1 lambing/ewe/year  
75% lambings  
Prolificity 1.6 lambs per ewe / 1.3 lambs for ewe lambs  
15 August Ewes AI'd with Lacaune semen for future flock replacements  
20 September Ewe lambs AI'd with Suffolk semen  
Charollais rams to sweep up any failed AI's

At grass from 15 March just after the peak in lactation until end October

Finishing of lambs (37-42kg liveweight)  
Sales through the co-operative Coopagno