What is a farm workers dream happened, started to turn out cattle. I reckon it is the happiest day of the year. It makes me feel fitter and fresher just seeing cattle skipping about in fields.

I seem to be happy with my lot.

Had quality family time.

When everybody is healthy it does put work in the right perspective

Just too much work and no rest.

With Marjorie being bad it seems I don't know which way to turn next.

I haven't been paid for a while and feel a bit strapped for cash

Had quality family time.

The boss and his son are arguing all the time at work, I seem to be getting the brunt of it.

Still haven't been paid.

The Government says things like we'll have to change, but I think people want to know which direction to go

Everyone I talk too seems to say how much life has changed which I agree with.

Feeling that I made the wrong decision to stay in farming

…being selfish, feel how lucky I am.

Having to work too many hours, away from family too much.

Been on the FMD holiday…

I usually come back from a holiday raring to go but I don't seem to have any enthusiasm for going back back to work.

It just seems with all that is going on the thoughts of the anniversary of FMD seems to be hanging over me.
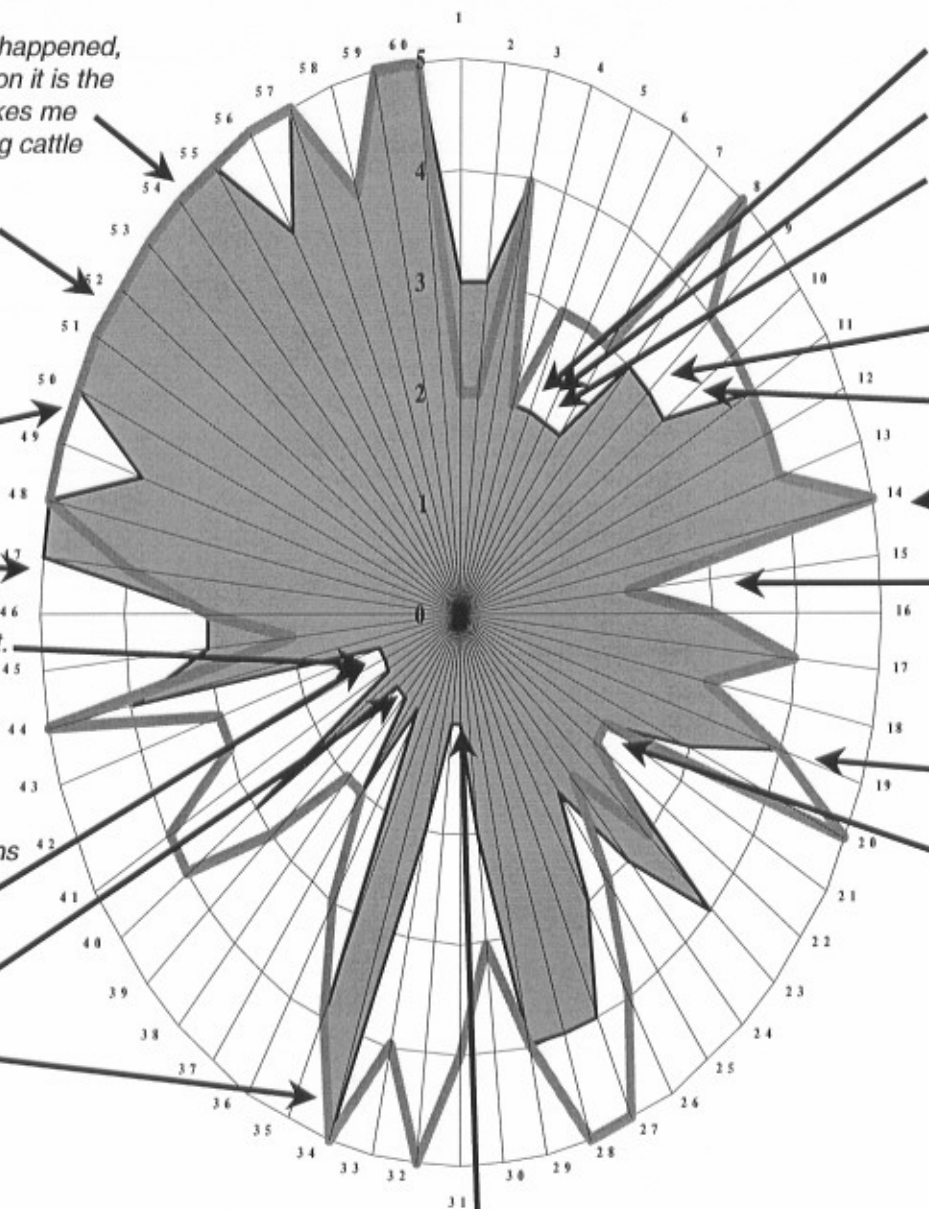
QOL

Self reported health

Score	
very poor	1
poor	2
average	3
good	4
very good	5

The Development of 'Ethnoplot'

Way of representing **structured & unstructured** parts of the diary

The first few pages of the diary contain five questions about the respondents **self reported health, quality of life, etc.**

We wanted to compare these questions with diary narratives

Represent **longitudinal nature of dataset** (18 months of diaries – 72 diaries per respondent)

For example, here is a completed diary from May 2003

Relationships with work colleagues have been very good as I've been on holiday...

Numbers are assigned to these responses...

1	2	3	4	5
Very poor	Poor	average	Good	Very good
Comments:				
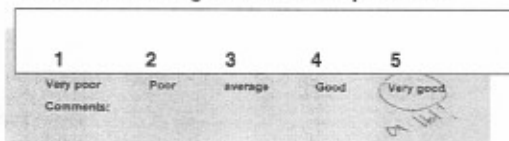
Unstructured section of diary...

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Respondents responses to questions of:

self-reported health

quality of life (QOL)

Unstructured diary entries are plotted alongside structured entries from the same week

The numbers around the outside of the plot represent completed diaries and have been plotted chronologically Dec 2001 – May 2003

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