

MID MONTH DAIRY SALE ON FIRE!

The August Mid Month Sale of Pedigree Commercial Dairy cattle attracted an entry in excess of 230 head at its recent auction at Beeston Castle. Trade was on fire from start to finish with only two animals failing to find a new home. In fact many (both vendors and purchasers) commented that they have never seen dairy cattle as expensive which is no doubt mainly driven by the shortage of numbers on the market.

No less than twenty six animals smashed through the £2000 mark selling to a top of £2700 with seven cattle making £2300 or more. The top five were purchased by regular clients D & H E Colclough & Son of Hassall, Sandbach and the top three were all consigned by regular clients Mark and Anne Bowden of Malpas. The top seller was Womack Minister Daffodil, a July 09 daughter of Mr. Minister sold giving 30 kg. a day. At £2650 they sold Hollowmoor Baxter Sally, a March 09 daughter of Emerald Acres SA Baxter giving 36 kg and at £2550 the April 09 Mr. Sam daughter, Joylan Sam Audrey sold giving 29 kg.

John Cawston of Bungay, Suffolk consigned Poringland Florence 15th, an October 08 daughter of Sandy Valley Bolton; she sold for £2500 giving 37 kg. daily and the final member of the top five was an unregistered second calf cow sired by Cogent Classic consigned by Terry Goldstraw of Audlem that had given over 8500 kg as a heifer and she sold for £2350.

Two heifers made £2300 each; the first was Fornside Melody Daydream from Howard Walmsley of Preston, a daughter of Moet Melody purchased by Peter Howard of Darnhall, Winsford and at the same price was an unregistered heifer by Painley Knighthood consigned by Hollington Farms of Essex purchased by RJ & DJ Clement of Stoke-on-Trent.

At £2280 Wilmot Blockley of Tarvin purchasand topped at £42ed Bannistree Glory Daisymay 114th, a daughter of Oversight Dictator from D & E Monk of Ormskirk and at £2260 Wick Williams secured the home bred Kendall daughter, Burnbrae Kendall Mars from Jack and Barclay Taylor of Myddle, Shrewsbury. The Taylor's also sold their Burnbrae Rampage Susie for £2250 to the Colcloughs. At the same price the Bowdens sold Holbeck Wisconsin Herma to Peter Howard.

There were no in-calf heifers forward this month but there were two very nice groups of yearlings and stirks consigned by John Pogson of Newark and Grosvenor Farms Chester. The yearlings from John Pogson sold to £920 for Yeoman Velvet Mary 107th, an October 10 daughter of Heather Holme Velvet and the stirks from Grosvenor Farms sold to £850 for the four month old Grosvenor H Supersonic Jo by Dalbytop Supersonic.

A very nice consignment of 27 heifer calves sold very well and topped at £420 twice both for six week old calves consigned by Tollemache Farms of Beeston and The Clayton Partnership of Malpas.

AVERAGES:

173 Cows and Milking Heifers (All Breeds) £1547.93; 32 Yearling and Stirk Heifers £676.33; 27 Heifer Calves £360.00.

WRIGHT MANLEY of Beeston Castle Auction, Cheshire were the Auctioneers.