

MID MONTH FLYER AT BEESTON! FIFTY OVER £2000 AND UP TO £2850

The final sale of the year for Dairy Cattle at Beeston was the December edition of the Mid Month Sale which attracted a catalogued entry of 323 head. The trade experienced for the milking cattle was tremendous achieving the second highest average on record of just over £1700 for every animal; no less than FIFTY cows and heifers sold for £2000 or more selling to a top of £2850. There was a huge ring of buyers with many fresh faces in attendance and it was great for them as they had a huge choice to bid and that the quality on offer was of a very high standard. This is the LARGEST SALE IN THE UK of fresh calved milking cattle and it was great for our vendors that many buyers keep coming back to buy their replacements. It was also good to welcome new consignors and to welcome others back to the fold, all of whom were pleased with their trade.

The top price was £2850 for a daughter of Burlane Tennyson from Mark and Anne Bowden of Malpas for their Streat Tennyson Lilac, a heifer that was 11 days calved and was giving 30 kg. She was purchased by regular customers D & HE Colclough & Son of Hassall, Sandbach who also purchased the next two top sellers at £2800 each from Jack and Barclay Taylor of Myddle, Shrewsbury. Their first at this price was the homebred Burnbrae Goldmine Celestial, a heifer by their stock bull, Aintree Goldmine Red which was sold giving 35 kg whilst the second was an outstanding pedigree Brown Swiss second calver by Garne Aytola Edgar; this was Webbscott Edgar Vintage who was giving 38 kg. daily. The Colclough's also purchased the very well bred Fennshall Affirmed Squirrel, by BKB Affirmed from Neil Jones of Whitchurch. She is bred from seven generations of dams scored VG/EX and was sold for £2700 giving 34 kg.

Cows were a particular good trade at the sale especially for the better ones and they were led by Barmere Cutler Wonder from Neil Willis, Whitchurch. She was unable to go to Neil's recent dispersal sale but it proved no problem as she sold for £2700 to David Green of Lach Dennis. A non pedigree third calf cow from Terry Goldstraw of Audlem sold for £2650 to John Shropshire of Cheswardine, Market Drayton and a second calf daughter of ABS Nautilus, Snowfern Nautilus Nancy, that had given almost 10000 kg as a heifer from C Fernihough & Son of Church Lawton sold for £2600 with the hammer falling to Richard Thomas of Croesyceiliog, Carmarthenshire.

The very fresh heifer Barmere Tennyson Stella from Neil Willis sold for £2600 whilst John Sanderson of Kirkham, Preston sold his Sandcrest Mayflower 4th by Montgomery Tiger for £2500 and at the same price John Gregson of Mawdesley, Ormskirk sold his Mawdesley Lotto Roxana 2nd, by Denmire Lotto. All three were purchased by the Colclough's.

Two Holsteins sold at £2450 apiece; the first being a third calf Mayne bred cow from Gordon Reynolds of Ashford Kent selling to Wincham Holsteins of Northwich and the second being a Pilch bred heifer by Baxter from Clive and Ann Bason of Minshull Vernon selling to Anthony Matthews of Whitchurch.

Coloured breeds were in great demand throughout the sale and were topped by the Brown Swiss at £2800 which has already been mentioned. Dairy Shorthorns sold to £2450 for the naturally polled heifer, Rodway Lisbet 6th, a daughter of Winbrook Vince from Graham Madeley of Telford selling to CD & SE Malkin of Cotwalton, Stone. Ayrshires sold to £1880 for a second calver from OC Whittaker & Sons of Knutsford; Swedish Red's also sold at the same figure for a firsty cross from CJ Faulkner of Frodsham and Jerseys topped at £1450 for a fresh heifer Bramjill Pride Petra from Andrew Woodmansey of Beverley.

Served heifers sold to £1700 for a daughter of Huddlestone Spooky from Tom Williams of Towcester selling to C & S Fitton & Son, Middlewich. Recently served heifer from S Yates & Son, Sheriffhales sold to £1280 for a daughter of Wyndford Soldier whilst bulling heifers sold to a £1000 for a Shottle daughter from J & JA Venables & Son of Lower Withington.

Heifer calves were a great trade selling to a top of £540 for a 12 day old calf from JJ & AS Nicholas of Tarporley.

AVERAGES:

231 Cows and Milking Heifers £1701.13; 37 Served Heifers £1209.12; 10 Maiden Heifers £871.00; 1 Angus Stock Bull £1850.00.

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