

CENTENARY EXPLOSION AT BEESTON!

HOLSTEIN UK'S CELEBRATION SALE SEES FIVE FIVE-FIGURE BIDS UP TO 18500 GNS

What a day in the life of Holstein UK especially for its members who consigned heifers to the 'Sale For The Century' which is just part of the Centenary Celebrations for Holstein UK. A huge crowd from all corners of the country turned up in droves to witness what was expected to be an exciting days trading at Wright Manley's noted Livestock Market at Beeston Castle, Cheshire.

All the cattle had been preselected for the sale and as a group they were a quite outstanding offering of cattle of the highest order. The sale was led by a beautiful in-calf heifer from the noted Sterndale Herd of Bill Nadin at Earl Sterndale, Buxton; Sterndale Ashlyns Gold had everything. She is daughter of Braedale Goldwyn and a grand daughter of the 2004 Champion animal at World Dairy Expo, USA and Canada's Royal Winter Fair, Tri-day Ashlyn (Ex96-2E). She also has a PLI of +£232, the highest in the sale. This March calving heifer was the choice of Geoff Lewis of Lewis Pearson Ltd of St.Brides, Nr. Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire.

Next in the price list was one of the youngest calves in the sale; Holmland A Goldwyn Pledge, another daughter of Goldwyn with a PLI of +£167 consigned by Steve Bell and Graham Kirby of Cumbria. This February born calf is from the famous Pala-Promise-Pledge line at Windy-Knoll-View Farms in the USA and was sold for 12000 gns to Simon Hesketh of Harrogate, North Yorkshire for his Merrydale Herd.

Two animals sold for 10000 gns each. The first was another from the Sterndale stable; Sterndale Ruby Tuesday ET is a Sep 07 daughter of Advent Red bred from six generations of Excellent cows, the grand dam being the famous former red and white grand champion at World Dairy Expo, Lavender Ruby Redrose EX96-2E. She Sold to John Jamieson for his herd at Ruthwell, Dumfries. Also selling at this figure was the second youngest calf in the sale, Huddlesford Golden Paradise from Tom and Andy Cope's noted Staffordshire based herd. Another daughter of Goldwyn and a great grand daughter of the famous Vandyk-k Integrity Paradise (EX96-2E) this three month old calf sold to Mr. Frank Phillipson of Ulverston, Cumbria.

The final lot at 10000 gns was one of First Choice lots. Ian and Kenny Watson of Coleraine, Co Londonderry were offering the first choice heifer calf from seven pregnancies sired by Sanchez, Alexander, Million and Planet out of two full sisters sired by Shottle who are grand daughters of the world renowned Savage-Leigh Licorice EX92-2E. The final bid on this package was made by Distinctive Holsteins of Middlewich.

Two animals sold at 9000 gns; Picston Shottle Shula 58th ET from the Pickford family of Stone is a fifteen month old daughter of Shottle from their famous Sharon family who sold to the Willsbro Herd in Cornwall and at the same price Richard Atkin of Yatehouse Holsteins, Middlewich purchased Aintree Advent Rae Red from Richard and Ruth Pilkington's noted Aintree Herd.

The only other animal over 8000 gns was the beautiful Skyhigh Talented Pat ET *RC from Mark Shadwick of Carlisle from a great line of high production long living cows from the Moondale Pat family. She now joins the Winton Herd of Peter Waring at Beverley, East Yorkshire.

A package of 6 embryos by mutually agreeable sire out of the Number 1 CTPI Cow in the breed Wabash-Way Emilyann (VG88-2yr) sold for 2500 gns to Diamond Genetics of Holland.

TOP PRICES :

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| Lot 8 | W J Nadin & Co. | Sterndale Ashlyns Gold ET | Lewis Pearson Ltd, Haverfordwest 18500 |
| Lot 79 | SL & PS Bell & G Kirby | Holmland A Goldwyn Pledge | S Hesketh, Harrogate 12000 |
| Lot 7 | W J Nadin & Co. | Sterndale Ruby Tuesday ET | J & A Jamieson & Son, Dumfries 10000 |
| Lot 67 | I & K Watson | 1 st choice Heifer from 7 pregnancies | Distinctive Holsteins, Middlewich 10000 |
| Lot 86 | T H Cope & Sons | Huddlesford Golden Paradise ET | F Phillipson, Ulverston 10000 |
| Lot 29 | Spotacre Farms | Picston Shottle Shula 58 th ET | Wills Bros Ltd, Cornwall 9000 |
| Lot 78 | Aintree Holsteins Ltd | Aintree Advent Rae Red ET | RC Atkin & Partners, Middlewich 9000 |
| Lot 40 | Mark Shadwick | Skyhigh Talented Pat ET | P J Waring, Beverley 8200 |
| Lot 56 | SL & PS Bell & G Kirby | Absolute Paradise Found ET | J Lomax & Son, Newcastle, Staffs. 6500 |
| Lot 44 | W J Nadin & Co. | Sterndale PS Ghost | Roston Partners, Winsford 6000 |
| Lot 27 | Riverdane Holsteins | Riverdane RR Strawberry Red ET | Messrs JA Martin, Carlisle 5800 |
| Lot 42 | A C Birkle | Whinchat Shottle Savoie Fare 2 nd | J Gerwyn Vaughan, Boncath, Pems. 5800 |

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| Lot 55 | M & JC Gould | Woodmarsh Elayo Melody Red 104 ET | EM & JR Evans, Oswestry | 5200 |
| Lot 71 | PR & A Mann | Dilligas Gold Chartreuse ET | RC Atkin & Partners, Middlewich | 5000 |
| Lot 85 | Joseph Heler Farms | Helton Goldwyn Clarisa | JR Williamson & Co. Nantwich | 4800 |
| Lot 26 | Keith Gibbs | Echo Shottle Amy | J Warnock & Son, Folkestone | 4700 |
| Lot 46 | SL & PS Bell | Holmland Shottle Sara ET | J Warnock & Son, Folkestone | 4700 |

AVERAGES:

1 MILKING HEIFER £3150.00; 10 Served Heifers £5953.50;

54 Maiden Heifers £4302.85; 2 First Choice Heifers £7455.00; 67 HEAD £4652.17.16; Embryos £1427.34.

WRIGHT MANLEY of Beeston Castle Auction, Cheshire were the Auctioneers