

3900 GNS TOP FOR WOODMARSH CHAMPION AT INAUGURAL SPRING BULL SALE

The Western Holstein Club's Inaugural Spring Show & Sale of Pedigree Holstein Bulls attracted an entry of 66 Head from the herd of leading breeders throughout the North West and Midlands. Judge for the day was Mr. Edward Griffiths of the Sheffield based COACHGATE Herd who selected his champion from the Woodmarsh Herd of M & JC Gould of Bomere Heath, Shrewsbury; Woodmarsh Melburn is a Jan 08 son of Dudoc Mr. Burns and bred from 8 successive generations of VG/EX dams from the noted Melody family. In reserve was Holmland Draco ET, a son of Regancrest Dundee bred from the Fradon Maude family from Steven and Patricia Bell and Paul Findlay of Penrith and Wrexham respectively

Trade was difficult at times with buyers being rather cautious and selective throughout the sale and this was particularly disappointing as the show of bulls was generally of a very good standard. Only three bulls sold for in excess of 3000 gns topping at 3900 gns for the Champion, Woodmarsh Melburn who sold for 3900 gns to TG Phillips & Co., of Sarnau, Llanymynech, Powys. The second prize intermediate bull, Winton Paddy Burns ET, from Peter Waring of Beverley, Yorkshire sold for 3600 gns. This, too, is a son of Dudoc Mr. Burns and bred from six generations of VG/Ex dams from the Pamela family and he sold to Evans Bros of Llanrhystud, Dyfed. The last bull in the sale was the extremely well bred Riverdane Sizzler ET from Riverdane Holsteins of Middlewich; he is a son of Braedale Goldwyn from six generations of VG/Ex dams of the prizewinning Sara family and sold for 3550 gns to KS Jones & Sons of Llansantffraid, Powys

TOP PRICES:

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Lot 61	M& JC Gould	Woodmarsh Melburn	TG Phillips & Co. Llanymynech	3900
Lot 52	P J Waring	Winton Paddy Burns ET	Evans Bros., Llanrhystud	3600
Lot 83	Riverdane Holsteins	Riverdane Sizzler ET	KS Jones & Sons, Llansantffraid	3550
Lot 32	J Burrow & Son	Stardale Heinz	D Sutton, Crewe, Cheshire	2000
Lot 39	Seaton Farms	Styche Super Talent	PC & V Kenny, Stone, Staffs.	2000
Lot 42	WJ Nadin & Co.	Sterndale Atmosphere ET	M Fisher, Penrith	2000
Lot 79	R & E Butterfield	Ingleview Virtue ET	TG & DM Watchorn Ltd, Leics.	2000
Lot 25	SL & PS Bell & P Findley	Holmland Draco ET	A Evans, Aberystwyth	1900
Lot 33	Wilfred Maddocks Ltd	Wyndford Meg ET	EG Stokes & Ptns, Shifnal	1850
Lot 58	Aintree Holsteins Ltd	Aintree Number One	GW & J Mercer, Bury	1800

EMBRYOS:

The sale opened with an offering of over 80 embryos giving buyers the opportunity to invest in top class cow families at a comparatively cheap level. A very good clearance was effected with 67 of these embryos changing hands at the auction. The top bid was 520 gns each for a package of three embryos sired by Sanchez out of Aintree Addison Nugget (Ex93 & SP) who is the 5th generation of VG/Ex members of this great family. This is the 3rd sale of Embryos conducted in conjunction with a Club Sale and all three have been very successful. The next offering of Embryos will be at the Club Sale on 30th April.

AVERAGES:

34 Bulls £1552.76; 67 Embryos £270.14

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