

TOTAL CLEARANCE AT NORTHERN LONGHORN SALE.. ...FOR THE THIRD YEAR RUNNING!! BULLS AND FEMALES TO 2000 GNS

The Third Annual Northern Sale for members of the Longhorn Cattle Society attracted its largest entry to date numbering some 70 head at its recent event at Beeston Castle Auction, Cheshire and for the third year in succession every animal forward on the day found a buyer, a record which is probably unsurpassed anywhere in recent Longhorn sale history.

The sale has firmly established itself in the Longhorn Breed's calendar of events and is aimed at providing a marketplace for all enthusiasts of the breed. This year the quality was better than ever and buyers from as far afield as southern Scotland, Cumbria, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Leicestershire, Cambridgeshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire and North Wales all made their presence felt competing for all the stock on offer resulting in a very good trade for all categories.

Top price was 2000 gns which was achieved on two occasions. The female selling at this price was Treverton Justice, a May 09 open heifer sired by Gorse Morrisman and consigned by Rachael Heard of Welford, Northamptonshire selling to M A Lomas of Eye Kettleby, Melton Mowbray. Other senior heifers sold up to 1400 gns for the April 09 born Heronbrook Jayde from James Winnington of Church Broughton, Derby selling to Peter Wild of Shaw, Oldham and another from Rachael Heard selling at 1380 gns to MA Lomas.

Cows with calves at foot sold on a very fats trade with the top two prices being achieved for animals from the Kirklan Herd of Her Majesty's Prison Services at Kirkham, Lancashire. Their Newbrook Hearnish with March born heifer calf at foot by Blackbrook Quidditch sold for 1480 gns to Rob Swain of Market Drayton and their Oxlane Imogen with December born bull calf at foot sold for 1450 gns to N Hughes of Silloth, Cumbria. Another outfit, Ash Tree Henrietta with March born heifer calf by Blackbrook Quarterback consigned by James Winnington sold for 1300 gns to JM Grant, Easingwold, York.

Junior heifers sold to 900 gns twice both for yearlings consigned by M Pumphrey & Co of Dalbeattie, Dumfries and Galloway and both were daughters of Bollin Eugene. The elder, the April 10 born Clonyard Bonxie sold to Mr. Hughes, Silloth and the younger Clonyard Bombycilla sold to Malcolm Adams of Bangor on Dee.

The sale concluded with the entry of bulls and the top seller was the last lot in the sale consigned by Phil Robinson of Holmes Chapel; Blackden Jim is a November 09 son of Blackbrook Ranger and out of Dinglebank Imogen who sold for the top price of 3400 gns at the inaugural sale of Longhorns at Beeston two years ago. The purchaser at 2000 gns was N Hughes of Silloth.

AVERAGES:

11 Cows with calves at foot £1117.77; 12 Cows in-calf/served £665.00; 10 Senior Heifers Served/Open £1221.15; 16 Junior Heifers open £664.78; 4 Bulls £1401.75. 53 Lots £919.44

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