

COMMERCIAL HOLSTEINS TO 1900 GNS AT BEESTON

A useful crowd attended Beeston for the sale of the entire commercial herd of NMR recorded Holstein dairy cattle on behalf of Charles Wharton & Partners who were ceasing milk production and changing their farming policy at Winsford Hall, Stokesby, Nr. Great Yarmouth, Norfolk.

Most of the cattle went to buyers in Cheshire, Staffordshire and Shropshire but others went to farms as far away as North Lancashire, Cumbria, Northumberland and Northamptonshire. The herd was averaging over 10000 kg but was loose housed and contained, many powerful, milky cattle that followed an all year round calving pattern. Trade was very good throughout the sale for all age groups.

Top price was 1900 gns for a second calf cow that freshened at the end of February and was sold giving 51.7 kg; this daughter of Askew Reece sold to JL & EM Parker & Son of Haughton, Stafford. The next top seller was sold at 1780 gns to David Ball of Fulford, Stoke-on-Trent. This was for a daughter of Moet Brinstar Solo, that calved for the first time in December and was guaranteed back in-calf to Burlane Tennyson. Another daughter of Solo who calved in March sold for 1720 gns to RJ & MA Thelwell of Nantwich.

There was a very smart group of heifers that had been running with the bull from December and these sold up to 1350 gns twice, both for daughters of Moet Brinstar Sirius. Maiden heifers sold to 1000 gns for December 09 daughter of Bolton and heifer calves from one week to five months topped at 530 gns for a daughter of Morningview Legend.

AVERAGES:

164 Cows and Milking Heifers (including 50 heifer calves at £341.67) £1165.05; 28 Served heifers £1199.25; 85 Maiden Heifers £763.78; 13 Heifer Calves at £305. 277 HEAD £1045.37

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