

ELEVEN GENERATIONS OF EXCELLENCE ATTRACTS 4000 GNS TOP BID AT BEESTON

The Western Holstein Club's Monthly Show and Sale of fresh cows and calved heifers attracted an entry of 104 Head for its February Sale. Judge for the day was Henry Cornthwaite of the Lancashire based Kirkwood Herd who selected his Champion from Roger and Pat Sutton's noted Rowarton Herd based at Astbury Nr. Congleton. This was the the third time in succession and fifth time in the last twelve months that they have won the overall Championship at the Club Sales. This time their winner was the fresh heifer Rowarton Carisma Orchid, a September 07 daughter of Dupasquier Carisma bred from 4 generations of Very Good or Excellent dams from the noted Wiseburrow Orchid family. In reserve was Tameside Emblem 19th consigned by Enchanted Holsteins of Preston but bred by the Summerscales' of Hyde who sold her as a bulling heifer last year. First prize cow was the September calved fourth calver Almond S Rhapsody (Ex93-2E) from Graham Wallace of Goostrey.

Trade was generally very good with the averages up on the month. However the plainer, frailer heifers have taken the biggest knock and were definitely harder to clear. Nevertheless strong milky heifers with good udders and a bit of width were in great demand. Cows this month were also considerably dearer.

The top price of the day went to the first prize cow from Graham Wallace of Goostrey, Middlewich who is shortly to emigrate to New Zealand. This wonderful fourth calf cow by Comestar Stormatic is the eleventh generation of cows classified Excellent and is a member of the noted Rhapsody family which originates from Pinehurst in the USA. This was the only Holstein cow owned by Graham and lived with his noted Grahmar Jersey Herd. She sold open and was giving 47 kg daily. The hammer fell at 4000 gns to Richard Gay for his Walkabout Herd at Axminster, Devon. A daughter of this cow by Braedale Goldwyn born in June 2008 made 2200 gns selling to Hefin George of Clarboston Road, Haverfordwest.

Next in the price list was the Champion female, Rowarton Carisma Orchid sold giving 35 kg and realised to 3000 gns to Jimmy Hull & Sons, Andrew and Leslie for their Fortland Herd at Preston. Next in line was Sternmoor Outside Ethel 5th ET from Michael and Caroline Wainwright of Buxton; this heifer by Comestar Outside is bred from seven generations of cows classified Excellent and was sold for 2800 gns to WJ & J Evans of Mathry, Haverfordwest. At just 100 gns less was the Reseve Champion, Tameside Emblem 19th from Enchanted Holsteins; this daughter of Far-o-la Debbie-Jo Drake sold for 2700 gns to Rob Bell of Knutsford.

Five more animals made from 2500 to 2650 gns. The Evans' of Ewloegreen sold a daughter of their very successful Ewloegreen Igniter Viola for 2650 gns to Thomas Plas Ltd of Bancyfelin, Carmarthen who also purchased a heifer with 9 generations of VG/Ex dams from the Taylor's of Shrewsbury at the same money. The Taylor's also sold a Drake daughter at this money to Rob Bell and a member of the Romance family at 2600 gns to the Hull family. The final animal falling within this bracket was Fornside Bolton Jay from Enchanted Holsteins which sold at 2500 gns to the Bargh family of Blackburn.

TOP PRICES:

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| Lot 13 | G F Wallace | Almond S Rhapsody (EX93-2E) | R J Gay, Devon | 4000 |
| Lot 87 | G J Sutton | Rowarton Carisma Orchid | J & N Hull & Sons, Preston | 3000 |
| Lot 63 | JM & CM Wainwright | Sternmoor Outside Ethel 5 th | WJ & J Evans, Pembroke | 2800 |
| Lot 73 | Enchanted Holsteins | Tameside Emblem 19 th | J C Bell, Knutsford | 2700 |
| Lot 25 | J Evans & Son | Ewloegreen Igniter Pro Supreme | Thomas Plas Ltd, Carmarthen | 2650 |
| Lot 55 | DJD & JB Taylor | Burnbrae Drake Fenny | J C Bell, Knutsford | 2650 |
| Lot 56 | DJD & JB Taylor | Forte TJ Alicia | Thomas Plas Ltd, Carmarthen | 2650 |
| Lot 58 | DJD & JB Taylor | Forte FRJ Romance | J & N Hull & Sons, Preston | 2600 |
| Lot 72 | Enchanted Holsteins | Fornside Bolton Jay | NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn | 2500 |
| Lot 34 | Ray Brown & Ptns | Bidlea Aviator Miriam | Shutt & Mansell, Newport | 2400 |

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| Lot 82 | RM & RA Shepherd | Oakshore Detective S Queen | J C Bell, Knutsford | 2400 |
| Lot 83 | RM & RA shepherd | Oakshore Grandview Cavalier | NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn | 2400 |
| Lot 84 | J Bowden & Co. | Hully Moscow Iolanthe 133 rd | NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn | 2350 |
| Lot 14 | G F Wallace | Grahmar BG Rhapsody | Hefin George, Pembrokeshire | 2200 |
| Lot 92 | G J Sutton | Rowarton Orville Anita 2 nd | H F Langley & Partners, Malpas | 2200 |

AVERAGES:

13 Cows £1837.50; 65 Calved Heifers £1950.90; 1 Served Heifer £945.00; 1 Maiden Heifer £2310. 80 HEAD £1924.39. 4 Embryos £441.00.

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