

RECORD SMASHED AT 10TH ANNIVERSARY SALE AT BEESTON – WOODMARSH HEIFER SELLS FOR 8200 GNS

The Western Holstein Club held their 10th Anniversary Show and Sale at Beeston Castle Auction on Thursday last to celebrate the ten years since they transferred their sales from Crewe to Beeston and wow what a sale it was with great demand for everything on offer and a new record price of 8200 gns for a milking heifer at these sales.

The sale attracted an entry of 160 Head which included a small but very select offering of superbly bred maiden heifers and heifer calves. The honour of judging at this sale was placed on the current Holstein UK President, Philip Davies of the well known Gornal Herd in Mid Wales. For his champion he selected Woodmarsh Shottle Lyme 55th from the herd of Mick Gould and family at Bomere Heath, Shrewsbury, an outstanding daughter of Shottle and bred from eight successive generations of cows classified in the top two grades. In reserve was Misjay Denholme Maude from Jane Arrell, Wem, a Stormatic daughter also bred from eight generations of top classified dams.

Trade was very good throughout the whole of the sale with plenty of buyers in attendance from all over. Cattle were distributed from Scotland to South Wales and to Essex. Apart from a couple of special individuals which stole the show somewhat, trade was very level with demand being particularly strong for the powerful heifers with good udders and lots of milk. Frailer, narrower heifers, irrespective of how milky they are, are harder to clear in comparison.

The highlight of the whole day was the sale of the Champion female from the Gould family; this quite outstanding heifer displayed all the attributes required in a modern, top class animal. Bidding opened at 3000 gns and quickly soared past the previous record of 6000 gns until the hammer finally fell at 8200 gns to Martin Evans buying for his Pryddbwl Herd at Llangedwyn, Oswestry. The next top seller in the milking heifers was Aintree Goldwyn Nugget E ET (GP84-2yr) from Richard and Ruth Pilkington of Wrexham, a very powerful Goldwyn daughter bred from the high component and high type Nugget family. She sold to Hywel and Sheila Evans, Llansilin, Oswestry. The Reserve Champion was next in line selling at 2900 gns to D Bunting & Son, New Abbey, Dumfries. Two more milkers made 2600 gns each which included the top priced cow Preview Ja-Bob Quality from Andrew Rutter of Haslington, an outstanding red and white November calved second calf daughter of Ja-Bob Jordan Red which sold to Ted Fearon of Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria. Also selling at this price was Fieldside Yarrow 55th a daughter of Denmire Monitor from Harry and Vera Jolly of Great Eccleston, Preston which sold to Robbie Bell of Knutsford.

The inclusion at the end of the Sale of a special section for superbly bred heifer calves under the title "Excellent calves from Excellent Dams" added to the sale celebrations and were well received by purchasers. Top in this section was 4900 gns for Sterndale Lightning Ghost from Bill Nadin; this August 09 daughter of Lylehaven Lightning has three (VG-2yr) sisters and her seven nearest dams are all Excellent and sold to Mark Robinson of Faddiley, Nantwich. Two calves made 4600 gns each; the first was Chaterley Goldwyn Adeena ET from Stan Price of Stockport, a Goldwyn from the heart of the noted Alicia family selling to Albert Innes-Smith of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and the second was Excel Jeeves Sally a July 09 Jeeves daughter who is sister to the noted show cow Styche Lyster Sally (Ex93). She was purchased by MJ & JM Thomasson of Worleston, Nantwich for their Astlowhall Herd

Embryos were a mixed trade and topped at 520 gns per egg for sexed semen eggs sired by Riverdane Adventure Red out of Baileys Lakeside Molli Red (Ex90)

TOP PRICES :

				GNS
Lot 66	M & JC Gould Ltd	Woodmarsh Shottle Lyme 55 th	EM & JR Evans, Oswestry	8200
Lot 127	Aintree Holsteins Ltd	Aintree Golden Nugget (GP84-2yr)	HW Evans, Oswestry	3500
Lot 60	J Arrell & D O'Neill	Misjay Denholme Maude	D Bunting & Son, Dumfries	2900
Lot 5	Andrew Rutter	Preview JA Bob Quality Red	H Fearon, Cumbria	2600
Lot 94	H & VE Jolly	Fieldside Yarrow 55 th	J C Bell, Knutsford	2600
Lot 10	Seaton Farms	Styche Jordan Hilgonda 2 nd (VG86)	B & NP Kennerley, Altrincham	2450
Lot 25	Grantchester Farms	Grantchester Gibson Heather 139 (VG85)	K Marshall, Carmarthen	2400
Lot 95	H & VE Jolly	Fieldside Ada 157 th	VG McCrea, Chester	2400
Lot 45	Grantchester Farms	Grantchester Goldwyn Pam 4 th (GP84-2yr)	Clayden Holsteins	2300

Lot 57	T I Shepherd	Budworth Drake Rockette	NE & EM Bargh, Blackburn	2300
Lot 90	Ray Brown & Ptns	Bidlea Sara Saladin 2 nd	W Bradbury, Buxton	2300
Lot 97	Joseph Heler Farms	Helton Talent Karina	FH Cookson & Sons, Altrincham	2300
Lot 67	M & JC Gould Ltd	Woodmarsh Lyonheart Hatlady 84 th	LA & SM Lloyd, Shrewsbury	2250
Lot 86	Ray Brown & Ptns	Bidlea Kendall Fayne 2 nd	James Harrison Farming Ltd	2200
Lot 92	H & VE Jolly	Fieldside Barb 5 th	V G McCrea, Chester	2200
Lot 96	H & VE Jolly	Fieldside Erica 529 th	V G McCrea, Chester	2200

CALVES :

Lot 157	WJ Nadin & Co	Sterndale Lightning Ghost ET	P & R Robinson, Nantwich	4900
Lot 154	J S Price	Chaterley Goldwyn Adeena ET	A Innes-Smith, Newcastle on Tyne	4600
Lot 155	Seaton Farms	Excel Jeeves Sally ET	MJ & JC Thomasson, Nantwich	4600
Lot 158	M & JC Gould Ltd	1 st Choice Calves	AM Jones (Calcourt Farms), Powys	3800
Lot 150	Aintree Holsteins Ltd	Aintree Atlas Nugget D ET	Parkinson Partners	3000
Lot 153	A & J Jones	Rossett RR Rachel ET	AM Jones (Calcourt Farms), Powys	2800

**AVERAGES: 29 Cows £1807.81; 85 Milking Heifers £2094.93; 2 In-Calf Heifers £2037.00;
8 Maiden Heifers £3596.25; 124 HEAD £2123.70**

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