

NEW RECORD FOR COW AS ELEGANCE SOARS TO 6200 GNS AT BEESTON CLUB SALE

Just two months after the record for a milking heifer was smashed at the Western Club Sale in March the record for a cow was totally blitzed when the third calf Forte CS Elegance ET (VG85), a daughter of Comestar Stormatic and bred from six generations of Excellent dams, the last two being (Ex96), was sold for 6200 gns as part of the first portion to disperse the Forte Herd on behalf of AL & HF Nottage of Seething, Norwich.

The sale attracted an entry of 100 cows and milking heifers many of which were placed before Judge Ian Williamson of the Wardle Herd who selected his champion from the well known Bidlea Herd of Ray Brown & Partners; Bidlea Sara Beauty was a real beauty and a daughter of the Brown's very successful stock bull, the Talent son, Copywood Sarson Red. Reserve Champion was a very sweet heifer from Rob Clare, Hawksmoor Lianne 48th, a daughter of his stock bull Hawksmoor Renown, a son of Boss Iron.

Trade was far better than expected and was no doubt helped by the inclusion of the first part of the Forte Dispersal as well as some very good consignments of heifers from noted breeders who are providing what the market wants. The sale was well attended and many went home with nothing or far less than they originally intended to buy; so despite the huge numbers of heifers being imported from the continent commercial milk producers are still prepared to for quality milky heifers with good udders, width and strength.

The top price, of course was for the wonderful Elegance cow, with lost of interest in the ring and four bidders on the phone, the hammer was eventually knocked down to Mark and Susan Nutsford of Riverdane Holsteins, Middlewich. Two other members of the Forte consignment were knocked down to Martin Monckton at Nantwich; Forte Advent Scarlet Red, a March calved milking heifer by Advent bred from 5 generations of VG/EX dams sold for 3400 gns and at 3000 gns he purchased the January calved heifer Forte Leduc Cocoa (VG85-2yr) who was the 8th generation of animals classified in the top two grades. From the same home Mark Lee of Northampton purchased Forte RDS Olga (VG87-3yr), a third calf daughter of Mr.Sam sold giving 40 kg daily.

The second top price of the day was for Riverdane Talent Avis, bred by Riverdane Holsteins but consigned by Stan Price of Mellor, Stockport; this exceptionally well bred, good looking heifer was only eight days calved and sold for 3900 gns to John Moore of Co. Offaly, Republic of Ireland.

The largest consigners of the day were Andrew and Sue Sanders of the Isle of Man who presented 21heifers for sale and what an exceptional group they were; their top was 2500 gns for Sandisfarne Kiana Hope, a daughter of Bolton out of a 50 tonne VG88 dam. She sold giving 38 kg to Martin Monckton. The champion heifer from Ray Brown & partners sold for 2450 gns to regular purchasers NE & EM Bargh & son of Osbaldeston Hall, Blackburn.

TOP PRICES:				GNS
Lot 13	AL & HF Nottage	Forte CS Elegance ET (VG85-2yr)	Riverdane Holsteins, Middlewich	6200
Lot 73	JS Price	Riverdane Talent Avis	John Moore, Eire	3900
Lot 22	AL & HF Nottage	Forte Advent Scarlet Red ET	M Monkton, Nantwich	3400
Lot 19	AL & HF Nottage	Forte Leduc Cocoa ET (VG85-2yr)	M Monkton, Nantwich	3000
Lot 14	AL & HF Nottage	Forte RDS Olga (VG87-3yr)	M R Lee, Northampton	2500
Lot 66	Sanders Farms	Sandisfarne Kiana Hope	M Monkton, Nantwich	2500
Lot 81	Ray Brown & Ptns	Bidlea Sara Beauty	NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn	2450
Lot 61	Sanders Farms	Sandisfarne Karin Blackberry	NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn	2350
Lot 62	Sanders Farms	Sandisfarne Kelsey Faith	DE & MR Davies, Llanymynech	2350
Lot 71	AL Moore & Ptns	Danevalley Bolton Mandy	NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn	2350
Lot 58	Sanders Farms	Sandisfarne Kitty Ruby	M Monkton, Nantwich	2300
Lot 77	H & VE Jolly	Fieldside Electric Baby 519 th	JWC George & Sons, Pembroke	2300
Lot 79	Ray Brown & Ptns	Bidlea Sara Betty	JWC George & Sons, Pembroke	2250
Lot 34	J & JM Walmsley	Dunrod Jupiter Socking 3 rd	DE & MR Davies, Llanymynech	2220

Lot 41	H Lomas & Son	Chelton Carmen 195 th	NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn	2200
Lot 83	Ray Brown & Ptns	Bidlea Sara Gwen	NE & EM Bargh & Son, Blackburn	2200
Lot 93	A E Reece	Painley Ford Poco 6 th	JWC George & Sons, Pembroke	2200
Lot 96	C R Barnett	Hully Shottle Hebe 242 nd	DE & MR Davies, Llanymynech	2200

AVERAGES:

18 COWS £1672.42; 72 MILKING HEIFERS £2033.63; 90 Head £1961.40

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