

CUMBERLAND SHOW SUPREME CHAMPION TOPS FANTASTIC TRADE FOR WHITEFORD'S RED & WHITES AND MIDDLE AYRSHIRES AT 5000 GNS

There have been numerous wonderful sales in the dairy sector in the last few weeks but the second major reduction sale from the Whiteford Red and Whites and Middle Ayrshire Herds, the property of brothers William and John Whiteford from Middle Farm, Ruleholme, Carlisle at Beeston Castle Auction, Cheshire on Tuesday, 31st July witnessed the fastest trade to date.

A huge crowd converged on Beeston for the sale of the January to July calving portion plus choice selections of served and maiden heifers from this quite unique herd. Over the years the Whiteford brothers have used the best points of the Red Holstein and Ayrshire breeds to develop their own type of cow, their own breed if you like, and have produced a cow that has a modern, stylish frame, good legs and feet, an outstanding udder and has the ability to milk naturally over long periods of time.

The quality of animal on offer was from the top drawer and the fact that they were red and white, which is very much in vogue, undoubtedly made the sale very attractive to intending purchasers. But it has to be said they have not been milk recorded for over six years and were only classified on an irregular basis. This, nevertheless did not deter interest or bidding and many people were in attendance and were not successful in acquiring any cattle.

One of the outstanding features were the numbers of buyers at the sale who have previously only purchased pure Holsteins in the past and there was no doubt they had a significant impact on the sale. It is interesting to note that five animals sold in for in excess of 3000 gns., thirteen sold between 2000 gns. and 2800 gns and a further seventeen between 1700 gns and 1950 gns. The cattle were distributed virtually nationwide and buyers were recorded from Kinross, Dumfriesshire, Cumbria, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Gwynedd, Cheshire and all its surrounding counties, Worcestershire, Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Essex, Monmouthshire, ten different buyers from South West Wales and Northern Ireland.

The top price of 5000 gns was achieved for the quite outstanding Middle Georgette MM (VG88) (EX-MS), a daughter of Middle Maverick, who freshened with her second in early June and then won the Supreme Championship at the recent Cumberland Show. She was purchased by D & C Sanderson of Wigton, Cumbria. Next in the price list was the next one in the ring, Middle Mitzy MJJS (VG87) a dark red daughter of Middle JJ Subliem who traces to the Canadian Holstein Emlane Mitzy family. This April calved second calver sold for 3600 gns to an undisclosed Cheshire breeder.

There were three animals that made 3000 gns each; the first was the superb March calved heifer Middle Mitzy Border Subliem (H2-84)(VG-MS) who is a full sister to the previously mentioned 3600 gns cow. She was purchased by Aubrey Greenhalgh on behalf of a Scottish Breeder. Also selling at this price was the May calved heifer Middle Lady Milestone E (H2-83) by Middle Milestone Emerald who joins Philip Williams' Herd at Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire and Middle Mitzy Kim BC (H1-86), a June calved heifer by Brieryside Centurian who joins the Burnbrae Holstein Herd of Jack and Barclay Taylor at Middle, Nr. Shrewsbury.

The top priced in-calf heifer was the June '05 Middle Rosy Red MMR by Middle Mitzy Ranger who sold to Thomas Irwin of Co.Tyrone, Northern Ireland who also purchased Middle Gold Ruth MEP by Middle Emeralds Punch for 1800 gns. The maiden heifers sold to 1650 gns twice for a set of twins by Middle Sweet Ranger from the Mitzy family purchased by the Taylor Brothers of Shrewsbury and heifer calves sold to 700 gns twice; the first being for the eight week old

Morwick Lakeside King daughter off the 5000 gns top seller who was purchased for 700 gns by A & S Lawrie of Cuthill Towers Ayrshires at Kinross whilst the other, a six month old daughter of Middle Dunlops Man off an (H1-85) dam purchased by Alan Norbury of Knutsford.

TOP PRICES:

			GNS
Lot 10	Middle Georgette MM (VG88) (EX-MS)	D & C Sanderson, Wigton	5000
Lot 11	Middle Mitzy MJJS (VG87)	Undisclosed Cheshire Breeder	3600
Lot 102	Middle Mitzy Border Subliem (H2)84 (VG-MS)	Undisclosed Scottish Breeder	3000
Lot 110	Middle Lady Milestone E (H2)83	P G Williams, Haverfordwest	3000
Lot 132	Middle Mitzy Kim BC (H1)86	DJD & JB Taylor, Shrewsbury	3000
Lot 34	Middle Georgie Girl ME (VG87)	Coopon Lavenham, Suffolk	2800
Lot 109	Middle Blend SR (H1)86	Undisclosed S Wales Breeder	2700
Lot 77	Middle Jean HS (H1)85	G R Thomas, Llanelli	2600
Lot 46	Middle Mitzy BB 2 nd ET (VG86)	AS & JJ Hinton, Raglan	2400
Lot 86	Middle Eyebrow JJS (H1)86 (VG88-MS)	P G Williams, Haverfordwest	2350
Lot 3	Middle Robina RR (VG86-3YR)	Undisclosed S Wales Breeder	2300
Lot 96	Middle Subliem Mitzy (H2)82	Longfordhall Holsteins, Derby	2200
Lot 140	Middle Emerald BC (H2)84	G R Thomas, Llanelli	2200
Lot 1	Middle Emerald BB 3 rd (VG86-3YR)	Coopon Lavenham, Suffolk	2100
Lot 47	Middle Border Mitzy (VG88)	AS & JJ Hinton, Raglan	2100
Lot 122	Middle Lady Centurian 3 rd (H2)84 (VG-MS)	A Norbury, Knutsford	2050
Lot 167	Middle Rosy Red MMR	T J Irwin, N Ireland	2050
Lot 4	Middle Lady HS (VG87)	P G Williams, Haverfordwest	2000
Lot 76	Middle Daisy HS (H1)85	Coopon Lavenham, Suffolk	1950
Lot 74	Middle Lucy RE (H1)85	MD & MG Thomas, Trelech	1900

AVERAGES:

139 Cows and Milking Heifers (including 34 heifer calves at £490.10) £1666.78;
 11 Served Heifers £1544.45; 19 Maiden heifers £871.50; 169 HEAD £1569.94

WRIGHT MANLEY of BEESTON CASTLE AUCTION were the Auctioneers.



Top Price cow Middle Georgette MM (VG88)(EX-MS)