

Lancaster Heifers break £2,000 barrier with 4 over 3,000 guineas

The first sale of the year for the Lancashire Holstein Breeders Club set a new record for the event and a tremendous trade that saw every female sell at a 4-figure price. Only one heifer from a strong entry failed to find a new home. An entry of 80 catalogued including several very desirable pieces drew strong interest from all 4 countries making up the United Kingdom.

Four individuals made over 3,000 guineas including Robert & Elaine Butterfield's Champion – Ingham Jordan Magda PI VG-86, the 9th generation to score VG or EX, selling for 3,600 guineas to Meyrig Davies of the Paxtonview herd near Carmarthen. Robert's keen eye picked her out at the Ingham dispersal in the autumn of 2007, costing him a handy 680 guineas. A five fold return on the investment + a calf ! The Butterfields had a great day with their 5 entries averaging £2,625 which included Ingleview Roy Dandy PI VG-87, another daughter of Roylane Jordan, that sold to Aubrey Patterson of the Ballycrochan herd in Co Down N.I for 3,500 guineas.

The Tomlinson family from Bilsborrow near Preston cashed their 5 entries nicely and featured a superb heifer by Weeton Jackson carrying the red factor gene. Bilsrow Jackson Ricki Red PI is out of an EX-94 3E Blackstar tracing to the famous Watergate / Calbrett Rickis and sold to Elwyn Thomas of the Gatrog herd in South Wales for joint top price of the day at 3,600 guineas.

Wilson Boow took Reserve Champion honours with his Dunnerdale Talent Kate VG-86, selling to show Judge Mr Tom Smith, who runs the Newsmith herd near Kilmarnock. For 3,400 guineas.

Bull trade was more selective with a top price of 1,400 guineas for Gerry Donkin & Son's Copdon Marciano, by Mesland Duplex. Cows peaked at 2,100 guineas for one of Brian Brumby's good consignment off the Isle of Man.

Auctioneers: NORTON & BROOKSBANK
(with North West Auctions)

Averages:	11	Cows	avgd.	£1,813.63
	46	Heifers	avgd	£2,011.20
	3	Bulls	avgd	£1,172.50
	60	Head	avgd	£1,933.05

Lot	Animal	Buyer	Price
22	Ingham Jordan Magda VG-86	D.E.M Davies (Paxtonview)	3,600
35	Bilsrow Jackson Ricki Red	E & C Thomas (Gatrog)	3,600
24	Ingleview Roy Dandy VG-87	J.A Patterson (Ballycrochan)	3,500
56	Dunnerdale Talent Kate VG-86	Tom Smith (Newsmith)	3,400
52	Affetside Contented GP-84	A. Greenhalgh for client	2,500
43	Pennine Dorothy 358	E & C Thomas (Gatrog)	2,350
9	Fingan Roy Orchidee GP-83	D E M Davies (Paxtonview)	2,100