

## Sussex Dispersal on fire!

**Top price 5,500gns**

**34 over £3,000**

**147 over £2,000**

Tim & Joanna Binnington made the decision to disperse their Thakeham Herd of 360 Pedigree Holsteins and move them from West Sussex to Exeter Livestock Centre, this proved to be the best decision when undoubtedly, we saw one of the dearest trades we have ever seen! Trade was on fire from start to finish with buyers from Northern Ireland, West Sussex, Carmarthenshire, Wiltshire, Gloucestershire and all over Devon & Cornwall. It is worth noting that other buyers travelled from Lancashire, Cheshire & Wales as well as many other local buyers which went home empty-handed proving how hot the trade was! This super herd of mainly Autumn calving Cows saw a top price of 5,500gns for the much admired "Thakeham Onyx Joanna VG86" a second calver by ABS Onyx due at the end of July to sexed Totem, she sold to volume buyer Stowell Farms of Wiltshire who purchased 90 head for the new unit. The same buyer also paid 3,400gns for "Thakeham Achiever Cherry VG85" a second calver due in October to the Angus. Also at 3,400gns was "Thakeham Eldridge Corette 73 VG85" a second calver due in October, she sold to Richard & Sally Reed of Cullompton for their Allerways herd. Dry Cows were the trade of the day with any amount between 2,500 and 3,000gns topping at 3,400gns for "Thakeham Crimson Corette GP84" a second calver due in July to sexed Justin, she was the best of a super load of 58 head for Cowdary Home Farms of Midhurst, West Sussex. Other dry cows to 3,300gns for "Thakeham Entity Beauty 2" a heifer by due in July to sexed Revolution, she sold to Stowell Farms. A further 3 dry cows made 3,100gns and 2 at 3,000gns. In Calf Heifers were an excellent trade and topped at 2950gns for "Thakeham Helix Joanna" daughter of the top priced cow, this beautiful heifer was due in July to sexed Totem and joins her mum at Stowell Farms. The same buyer also paid 2,500gns for the only Red Holstein in the Sale "Thakeham Kimball Finella". There was a further 23 In Calf Heifers which made over £2,000. The Yearling Heifers sold to an electric trade topping at 1020gns three times for daughters of S-S-I Renegade Improbable with other groups of 3 to 980gns, 880gns x 4, 850gns x 6, 820gns x 3 & 800gns x 3. There is no doubt that this is one of the most successful sales to have taken place for some time which produced the following exceptional averages.

222 Cows & Heifers (inc all faults)	£2301
64 In Calf & Served Heifers	£1786
69 yearling Heifers	£850
355 head	£1925 per life

Auctioneers:

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