

228 commercial cows average £2000+, peaking at 3,400 guineas at Cheshire farm dispersal sale



A tropical heat in the trade on an arctic day on the farm saw a memorable sale for Roland and Sandra Edge who dispersed their very fine unregistered herd of Holsteins at Parkfield House, Calveley on Thursday this week. Outstanding cattle, NMR recorded and typifying everything buyers want in the modern dairy cow drew a powerful crowd of farmers from all parts Cheshire and neighbouring counties, plus plenty of support from elsewhere and on Marteye. The 357 females went through the ring at one/minute and returned the excellent average of £1648 per life

No less than 41 made 2,500 guineas or more and we believe a new record was set when a 4th calf cow made 3,400 gns (£3,570). This truly exceptional cow by Sahara Jacob, that calved in August giving 44kg and due again in September to a British Blue fertility+ straw was sold on line to Richard Gay for his Walkabout herd near Axminster in Devon.



Lot 49 – 3400 guineas

Major buyer was Kevin Peacock who is taking the farm on. He starts with a splendid nucleus of 88 animals adding to the dozen he bought at last week's nearby sale for Messrs Dimelow

Messrs T J Lloyd from Haverfordwest were in good form claiming a dozen very good animals including the second top priced second calver by St Gen Director Chairman at 2850 guineas. Henry Lewis of Tack Farms Ltd, Herefordshire was another determined buyer collecting 18 milking cattle for his large dairy enterprise near Bromyard.

The young stock were an outstanding bunch in superb condition. Heifers more than 6 months in calf averaged £2100 selling up to 2200gns with longer dated heifers up to 1720gns. Maiden heifers peaked at 1200gns and calves at foot sold readily and up to 620 gns (twice) the 3 year old Aberdeen Angus bull made 2400gns.

TOP PRICES

LOT	SIRE	BUYER	PRICE
49	Sahara Jacob	E Gay (Walkabout)	3400
169	St Gen Director Chairman	T J Lloyd	2850
141	Westcoast Perseus	T J Lloyd	2800
207	Neal	Tack Farms Ltd	2800
116	Unknown	T J Lloyd	2750
199	Guye Holdings Samite	T G W Neville	2750
111	ABS Jonas	T H Peacock (Mereheyes)	2700
154	Westcoast Perseus	T G W Neville	2700
214	Neal	Anne Morris	2700

Averages:

228 Cows & Calved Heifers (faults incl)	avg.	£2,079
52 Calves at foot	avg.	£ 402
10 Heifers 6m+ in calf	avg.	£2,176
25 Served heifers	avg.	£1,388
42 Maiden heifers (7-17m)	avg.	£ 881
357 Head	avg.	£1,648
1 A Angus bull		£2,520

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