

£2,600 Top & £2,017 Milking Heifer Average at Market Drayton Mid-Month Sale

The new Mid-Month Sales at Market Drayton have really taken off with the calved heifers flying to an average of **£2,017**.

The record August average was surpassed with the September entries topping out at £2,600 for a commercial heifer from Eifion Evans, Denbigh, which had been awarded the Champion rosette by judge Kelly Hill in the pre-sale show. The buyer was from the Lleyn Peninsula

£2,300 was received for the second prize heifer from the pedigree Brownswood herd, Worcester. RJ Rose, Oxford, sold for £2,120 and £2,020, RA & JE Williams, Hay-on-Wye, £2,100, RJ & RH Gadsbey, Stafford, £2,050, LF Horton & Son, Northwich, £2,050.

In-calf heifers from WJ Lewis & Co, Farndon, sold to £1,520 and yearlings to £700.

Twelve cattle in all sold for over £2,000 including the Boyah herd dispersal.

A top price of £2,350 was achieved at the dispersal sale of Richard Sisson's Boyah herd of Holstein Friesians which had been moved from their home at Haughton, Stafford, to Market Drayton Market to be sold.

The leading lady was the fortnight calved 2nd calver sired by Aintree Linchpin which had recorded 8,740kgs as a heifer and was giving 34kgs when sold.

Five others sold for over £2,000 with £2,150 being paid for another 2nd calver. 3rd calvers sold at £2,050 and £2,000 and a calved heifer at £2,050.

Served heifers sold to £1,400 twice, yearling heifers to £750 and heifer calves to £620.

Collective Sale Averages:

Holstein Friesian calved heifers £2,017

Cross-bred calved heifers £ 1,225

Boyah Herd Sale Averages:

44 milking cows and heifers £1,441

(including 18 heifer calves at £414)

8 served heifers £1,090

9 maiden heifers £628

Auctioneers:

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