2,300GNS TOPS KETTERING HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN SALE

A large group of determined buyers attended the dispersal sale of the Isliplodge herd of Holstein Friesians for the Holmes family at their farm at Kettering, Northamptonshire, resulting in four cattle crossing the 2,000 guinea threshold and recording a consistent trade throughout.

Top price of 2,300 guineas was paid by B L & K M Sercombe of Lutterworth, Leicestershire, for a 2nd calver by Ridgestar Jammer. Isliplodge Jammer Carol had calved last October and was due with her 3rd calve by Lakemead Rancher this October. She had recorded 9,518kgs as a heifer and her dam 10,277kgs. Her dam sold for 1,550gns as an 8th calver to another Lutterworth purchaser, A D Thomas.

B L & S M Sercombe also paid the second highest price of 2,250gns for another Ridgestar Jammer daughter, a September calved heifer still giving 33.7kgs daily. She was also due in October to Lakemead Rancher and was out of a 12,575kgs dam.

Welsh buyers, Thomas Plas Ltd of Carmarthen, gave 2,200gns for Isliplodge Jammer Rainbow, a heifer that had calved last October and due in December to the Blonde D'Aquitaine. She was also 33.7kgs daily and off a 11,411kgs S Man dam.

It was another Ridgestar Jammer daughter that made 2,050gns being purchased by J & N Biddle of Berkeley, Gloucestershire. Panda 2nd was a September calved heifer and due again this September to Lakemead Rancher.

In-calf heifers sold to 1,750gns twice, both being purchased by J & S Elliott of Conventry. They were both sired by Tittenser Hylke and in-calf for September to Lakemead Alphonso.

Heifer calves by Lakemead Alphonso sold to 700gns purchased by Essex buyer, K Harding of Upminster. The 28 heifer calves averaged £608.25.

Averages:

66 cows and calved heifers $\pounds 1,733.30$ (including 28 heifer calves at $\pounds 608.25$) 10 in-calf heifers $\pounds 1,741.95$ 2 bulling heifers $\pounds 798.00$ 78 lots $\pounds 1,710.42$

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards