SUDMINSTER HOLSTEIN FRIESIANS TO 2,050GNS TWICE

Prices peaked at 2,050gns twice at the dispersal of the pedigree Sudminster herd of Holstein Friesians for D J Fisher Farms Ltd. The loose housed herd had been removed from their Sudminster, Essex, home to Ross Auction Centre for convenience of sale.

Both top priced animals were in-calf heifers sired by Lyons Mister and due in October to the stock pull Poringland Astronomer. Sudminster Mister Hippo out of a 10,606kg 4.95%F 3.44%P Whittier Farms Kenrik dam was purchased by G J Meredith of Ullingswick, Hereford. Sudminster Mister Twine, the daughter of a 10,600kg Ramos dam sold to W B Jordan & Son, Inkberrow, Worcester.

Four milking animals made 2,000gns. C M Pugh of Kempley, Gloucestershire, purchased the July calved heifer Sudminster Mister Kitty 3rd and the August calved heifer Sudminster Dragon Dinah. D W Pickford & Son Ltd of Calne, Wiltshire, purchased the grading up Sudminster Merinet Kirk heifer which had calved in mid August and the full pedigree August calved heifer Sudminster Ron Cat.

Top priced cow was the 2nd calver Sudminster Ron Yorkey 2 which was 5 weeks calved having recorded 9,882kgs as a heifer. Buying her at 1,980gns was Amos & Partners of Llangrove, Ross-on-Wye.

The May 2008 born stock bull Poringland Astronomer, a son of Picston Shottle out of a 13,344kg VG87 Roylane Jordan dam sold for 1,900gns to G W J Turbutt, Monmouth.

Yearling heifers peaked at 840gns and heifer calves sold to 660gns.

Averages:

105 milking cows and heifers	£1,167.20
9 in-calf heifers	£1,755.83
25 served heifers	£834.96
22 maiden heifers	£721.64
11 heifer calves	£467.73
1 bull	£1,995.00
173 lots	£1,053.46

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards