THURSDAY 11th JUNE 2015

158 Forward Auctioneer: Gwilym Richards Sale at 11 am

ROSS DAIRY HEIFERS SELL TO 1,620 GNS

Top price at the June Monthly Dairy Sale at Ross-on-Wye Cattle Market was 1,620 guineas for a calved heifer from Adrian P Ractliffe of Gloucester. Another from the same home sold for 1,550 guineas.

The cows peaked at 1,500 guineas for a 2nd calver from F I Bevan & Sons of Ross-on-Wye.

The sale included the annual production sale of Summer calving heifers from the high genetic merit Daniels herd of the Davis family at Blakeney. Their top price was 1,320 guineas on two occasions, and the consignment of 24 head averaged £1,225.

The monthly sale also included the dispersal of the commercial herd for G A J Hale & Son of Newent. Their 91 milking cows and heifers sold to 1,380 guineas and averaged £779, 7 in-calf heifers sold to 1,250 guineas and averaged £1,167, and 23 maiden heifers sold to 560 guineas and averaged £541.

The sale was very well supported attracting buyers from Carmarthenshire, Devon, Somerset and Wiltshire as well as the surrounding counties.

On a day when the lower milk prices resulted in reduced cow values, only one cow failed to sell.

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