

BROOK HOLSTEIN FRIESIANS TO 2,020GNS

The recent reduction in milk prices was reflected in less money parting company from buyers at the dispersal sale of Robert Bartlett's herd of Holstein Friesian dairy cattle from Staunton, near Gloucester.

There appeared to be a better trade for the late summer/early Autumn milkers and it was one of these that attracted the bid of 2,020gns. Brook Westminster Snowdrop was an August 2008 calved heifer by Avenham Westminster and was due in August this year to the Belgian Blue stock bull. The buyers were D B & R M Edwards of Rockfield, Monmouth.

Two February calvers made 1,750gns each, both being purchased by J Bennett & Son of St Briavels, Gloucestershire. The first to make this price was Bishtonhall Jordan Rose, a 3rd calver by Roylane Jordan, and then two lots later, Hasfield Farm Bess, a heifer by Ammon Farm Dyson, made the same price.

Served heifers due in the Summer sold to 1500gns twice and heifer calves reached 600gns.

Averages:

35 milking cows and heifers	£1,324.50
1 unwarranted cow	£525.00
3 served heifers	£1,463.00
4 heifer calves	£485.63
43 head	£1,237.53

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards & Co