2,050GNS ORGANIC DAM & DAUGHTER

There was an international flavour to proceedings at the dispersal sale of Mr Michael Brake's herd of commercial organic dairy cattle at Llangibby, near Usk, Monmouthshire, with Dutch and Germans in attendance as well as many West Country and West Wales buyers.

Principal buyers at the sale were North Wootton Farm of Sherborne, Dorset, and they purchased some of the highest priced cattle on offer.

The seven day calved Newfailand Mr Frosty sired 3rd calver was purchased by North Wootton Farm for 1800gns and her heifer calf by Rodbrook Captain sold for 250gns to Pilliven Farming Ltd, Tiverton, Devon.

The top individual price of 1,850gns was achieved on two occasions. Firstly for another freshly calved Newfailand Mr Frosty sired $3^{\rm rd}$ calver purchased by W G & M D Thomas of Caerleon, Monmouthshire, and secondly for a $4^{\rm th}$ calver by Dalton Bandalero which was due again shortly to Rodbrook Captain and purchased by North Wootton Farm.

Top price in-calf heifer was the Jersey crossbred due later in the month to the Aberdeen Angus. The purchasers were A E Allen & Son of Berkeley, Gloucestershire.

Maiden heifers sold to 820gns twice. They were both sired by Rodbrook Dynamo and both purchased by Marks Barn Partnership, Crewkerne, Somerset.

Averages:

77 cows and milking heifers $\mathfrak{L}1,190.05$ (including 10 heifer calves at $\mathfrak{L}368.55$) 15 served heifers $\mathfrak{L}1,194.20$ 22 maiden heifers $\mathfrak{L}709.23$ 1 heifer calf $\mathfrak{L}420.00$

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards