

WHALLEY DAIRY SALE TOP OF 3,650GNS

Large volume buyers from the West Country and Wales dominated proceedings at the dispersal sale of the pedigree Tableyhill herd of Holstein Friesians for Dale Whalley which was held on his farm near Knutsford, Cheshire with 40 cattle selling for over £3,000.

Second calvers like at other recent sales received the top bids with 3,650gns being paid for a daughter of Farnear NC Felix off a 11,015kgs dam which was calving her third calf by the British Blue bull in August. She was bought by a Staffordshire buyer.

Another buyer from the same county paid the second highest price of 3,500gns for a second calver which had calved in April. She was sired by Aurora Ragnar and off a 10,664kgs dam.

Two others made 3,500gns, the top priced heifer due again in September to the British Blue bull being one of 31 cattle bought by a Herefordshire buyer.

A Cheshire milk producer gave 3,500gns for a second calver that had calved last December and carrying a British Blue calf for this December again, she was a Gen Pikachu daughter off a 11,694kgs Baco-Hill Hurricane dam.

Two Somerset buyers took home 63 milkers between them and another Somerset buyer took home 30 cattle including yearlings to 1,500gns twice.

In calf heifers due within the month to the Aberdeen Angus bull sold to 2,900gns for a St Gen Betterment daughter off a 11,163kgs dam and destined for a Staffordshire farm.

Yearlings topped at 1,550gns to a North Wales buyer and six month old heifer calves at 850gns to a South West Wales buyer.

Averages:

239 milkers (inc. faults) £2,178

37 in calf heifers £2,016

37 yearling heifers £1,041

33 heifer calves £522

346 head £1,882

Auctioneers:

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