

LLANSOY HOLSTEIN FRIESIANS TO 1,600GNS

At the dispersal sale of the Llansoy herd of pedigree Holstein Friesians for Gwyn and Harry Rowlands of Usk, Monmouthshire, prices peaked at 1,600gns, with twenty four cattle making four figure prices.

The top priced lot was Llansoy Dante Aline, a Regancrest Elton Dante daughter off a 11,078kgs Del Santo Corsaro dam. Aline was 3 months into her 3rd lactation and giving 41kgs daily when sold. In her previous lactation Aline had given 7,850kgs. The buyers were F A Williams & Son, Pontypool, Monmouthshire.

Heifer prices were led by a bid of 1,350gns from I James, Llandysul, Cardiganshire for Llansoy Progress Sally, a daughter of Duncan Progress. Sally had calved in January and was sold back in-calf for next January to Regancrest Integr Dominc and giving 28.2kgs daily. Sally's dam was the 10,003kgs Posal Aerostar Donay.

Her maternal sister, Llansoy Mtoto Sally, sold for 1,250gns to one of the day's principal buyers, T S Matthews & Son of Hereford, who purchased 18 milking cattle in all. Mtoto Sally had recorded 7,485kgs as a heifer before calving again in January this year and was giving 40.8kgs daily when sold.

Messrs Matthews also paid 1,250gns for Llansoy Outside Zoe, a 2nd calver daughter of Comestar Outside off a 9,350kgs Etazon Navajo. Zoe had recorded 7,095kgs as a heifer and calving with her 2nd calf in February this year. Zoe had been served for a February 2007 calving to Dominc and was giving 37kgs daily when sold.

Served heifers sold to 800gns and yearling heifers to 630gns.

The 5,000 litre DX Dari-Kool Milk Tank sold for £4,750.

Averages:

145 cows	£845.46
40 served heifers	£649.43
37 yearling heifers	£544.29
5 heifer calves	£260.40

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards & Co