

## **ORGANIC HOLSTEIN FRIESIANS SELL TO 2,120GNS**

On one of the hottest days of the year, prices for fresh milkers were also hot when Peter and Oliver Surman sold their organic herd at Upton-upon-Seven, Worcestershire.

Top price was 2,120gns for a 2<sup>nd</sup> calver which was five weeks into her lactation and giving 37.2kgs daily. The Ca Lill Marlin sired daughter had given 7,483kgs as a heifer. The buyer was B J Mould of Dunston, Stafford.

The next highest price was 2,050gns for a freshly calved heifer purchased by Daylesford Organic Farms of Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire. They also purchased at 2,000gns the next lot, a freshly calved heifer sired by Ca Lill Marlin off a 8,231kgs Aquilla Patron Lucente daughter.

Two other milkers made 2,000gns, a calved heifer selling to D Bennett, Chepstow, Monmouthshire, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> calver bought by Abbey Home Farm, Cirencester, Gloucestershire.

In-calf heifers also sold to 2,000gns with J & O Wilkinson & Son of Croome, Worcestershire, buying a Painley Knighthood grand-daughter carrying an Aberdeen Angus calf.

The Aberdeen Angus stock bulls sold to 2,100gns for the three and a half year old Melview Berkeley purchased by J Hopton, Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire.

Heifer calves sold to 900gns for a daughter of Deangate Quentin purchased by Daylesford Organic Farms.

Averages:

158 milking cows and heifers £1,269.84 (including 57 heifer calves at £447.63)

21 served heifers £1,317.00

68 maiden heifers and calves £591.40

1 Aberdeen Angus stock bull at £2,205.00

248 lots £1,091.58

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards & Co