

TOP OF 2,000 GNS AT LONG COMPTON SALE

Auctioneers Gwilym Richards & Co report a solid trade at the dispersal sale of the Qualitymilk herd of commercial pedigree Holstein Friesians at Long Compton, near Shipston on Stour, Warwickshire, for Quality Milk Ltd.

The milking section peaked at 2,000gns for a heifer calved in August last year and due in September this year. She was a daughter of Pine Shelter O Lariat and was still giving 30.8kgs daily. Her dam was a 9,526kg Mandel Bombay daughter.

Another August calved heifer but this time calving again in the same month this year sold for 1,950gns to a Shropshire buyer, she was a daughter of Milk Melody.

The same buyer purchased the top priced served heifer for 1,450gns. Her sire was Pine Shelter Lariat and had a 11,590kg dam.

Bulling heifers sold to 900gns to a Wiltshire buyer and 880gns on a number of occasions to a North Wales buyer.

Heifer calves sold to 550gns to a Leicestershire purchaser.

High volume buyers were very much the order of the day with 51 youngstock being purchased by a North Wales buyer, 34 milkers going to one Somerset farmer and 28 cattle to a Herefordshire holding.

Buyers from 11 English and Welsh counties were successful and the resultant averages were achieved.

Averages:

140 cows and milking heifers £1,250.93 (including 32 heifer calves at £334.36)

23 served heifers £1,018.96

67 maiden heifers £716.82

6 heifer calves £315.00

236 lots £1,052.89

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