

3,000 Guinea Top at Strong Bristol Trade

A substantial and business-like crowd, including 47 buyers from 19 different counties gathered at The Bristol Sales Centre for the March Monthly Sale and the dispersal of Messrs Taylor's Streamlet herd from Norfolk. With 290 head on offer there was plenty of choice and buyers fell upon the quality young milkers with gusto.

It was Streamlet Bambam Dimkel 14 GP-81 that caught the eye of several discerning buyers and sold through the auctioneers for 3,000 guineas to Messrs Owens from St Clears for their Caria herd. 3 months calved she was giving 45kg daily and looked sure to improve in her classification. The same buyers also claimed another stylish Bambam daughter – Streamlet Bambam Philippa 33 GP-83, 6 weeks fresh with her second calf giving 44kg.

In 2007 Julian Taylor purchased several animals at the Hazelden dispersal sale in Wiltshire, including the outstanding Hazelden Integrity Beauty EX-92 for 2,600 guineas. Her daughter Streamlet Shottle Beauty GP-84, whose full sister made 2,800 as a calf that day, sold to Adrian Hinton at 2,650gns.

Not for the first time leading buyer was Fred Simcock from Herefordshire, who purchased 43 head for his expanding dairy unit near Ledbury. Other volume buyers came from Kent, Wales as well as neighbouring counties.

Served heifers sold up to 1,350 guineas, maiden heifers to 900 guineas twice and calves at foot up to 650gns for a Streamlet Julian daughter.

The collective sale female entries peaked at 2,300 guineas for the stylish Swallowdale Igniter Bluebell 137 from Chris Elmes and family, with 4 heifers topping 2,000 guineas. The trade of the day was for Messrs E.S Burroughs & Son's 4 British Friesian bulls from their Oakalby herd, that averaged £2,362 with a top of 2,700 guineas. The long trip from Suffolk paid off and the rarity of working bulls of this breeding is fuelled by increasing demand.

AVERAGES:-

STREAMLET DISPERSAL	121	Cows & Calved Heifers	avg.
£1,389			
	24	Served Heifers	avg. £1,091
	45	Maiden Heifers	avg. £ 668
	190	Lots (incl 22 'A' lots @£378)	avg. £1,181
 CONSIGNMENTS			
	5	Cows	avg. £1,270
	14	Calved Heifers	avg. £1,806
	2	Served Heifers	avg. £1,207
	25	Maiden Heifers	avg. £708
	6	Bulls	avg. £1,934
	52	Head	avg. £1,219

TOP PRICES

LOT	ANIMAL	BUYER	PRICE-gns
201	Streamlet Bambam Dimkel 14 GP-81	D.A & C.L Owens (Caria)	3,000
30	Oakalby Beauily ET – BULL	R.J Honeybun	2,700
216	Streamlet Shottle Beauty GP-84	A.S & J.J Hinton (Wentwood)	2,650
31	Oakalby Samir –BULL	M.C Thompson	2,600
192	Streamlet Bambam Philippa 33 GP-83	D.A & C.L Owens (Caria)	2,400
29C	Swallowdale Igniter Bluebell 137	Amos & Partners	2,300
225	Streamlet Homestead Gina	D.A & C.L Owens (Caria)	2,300
13	Kingspool Sam Angela	S.C Vaughan	2,250
176	Streamlet Winston Esme 23 GP-81	S.C Vaughan	2,200
29	Richaven Buckeye Sweet PI	S.C Vaughan	2,050
14	Slimbridge Sam Elke 2	P.A Rymer	2,050
203	Streamlet Bambam Emily 39 GP-80	S.C Vaughan	2,050
11	Kingspool Talent Ella PI	S.C Vaughan	2,000
199	Streamlet Gilbert Belle PI GP-81	Astridge Farm Ltd	2,000
194	Streamlet Mission Heather 44 G-79	Astridge Farm Ltd	2,000

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