

WELINGTON HOLSTEINS TO 2,220 GNS

Top price was 2,220gns at the dispersal sale of Peter Pooley's Wellington herd of Holsteins which had been moved from their Manningtree, Essex, home to the Bristol Sales Centre to be sold.

Paying the top price was Peter Andrews of the Ruckhall herd at St Weonards, Herefordshire for the May 2009 calved heifer Wellington Madison Tokeyo sired by the home-bred Wellington Magna Madison.

The October 2009 calved heifer Wellington Mexico Fawn, a daughter of Pinebreck Matic Mexico, sold for 2,200gns to Brian and Gareth Thomas of the Gelliddu herd near Carmarthen.

Leading the youngstock prices was the 4 month old Wellington Star Dellia, a daughter of Forte Star Jordan and a descendant of the noted Snow N Denises Dellia. The buyer at 1400gns was Richard Thomas of the Churchvale herd at Kidwelly, Carmarthenshire.

Included in the sale was a consignment of heifers from the Kingspool herd of P E King (Bristol) Ltd. Their calved heifers sold to 2,100gns for a Comestar Outside daughter being purchased by Simon Vaughan of Leominster, Herefordshire.

John Round of Elmore, Gloucester, paid 2,050gns for a calved Regancrest Dolman daughter and also paid the leading price of 1,850gns for in-calf heifers, another Dolman daughter.

In the coloured breeds section, non pedigree Brown Swiss cows were in demand with 3rd calvers selling to 1,300gns and 1,250gns, and a 6th calver to 1,200gns. They were all consigned by N & B Hutton of Frome, Somerset, and sold to G Poulter, Evesham, Worcestershire. A non-pedigree Jersey 2nd calver from the same vendors sold for 850gns to I & D Crouch of Dorset.

The well attended sale attracted buyers from throughout Southern England and South Wales as well as Derbyshire, Shropshire and Staffordshire.

Averages:

Wellington – 78 milking cows and heifers £1,236.03, 11 served heifers £930.68, 16 maiden heifers £1,000.99, 4 heifer calves £540.75, 18 unwarranted cows £479.50, 1 bull £840.00.

Kingspool – 8 calved heifers £1,909.69, 1 in-calf heifer £1,942.50.

Auctioneers: Gwilym Richards