

MONDAY 8th & TUESDAY 9th APRIL 2024

724 DAIRY CATTLE

CHOLMONDELEY HERD DISPERSAL SALE

Auctioneers:

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CHOLMONDELEY DAIRIES SOLD AT LIGHTENING SPEED

Trade was fast and furious at the two day on farm dispersal sale of the all year round calving Cholmondeley herd of Holstein Friesians for Chris and Claire Willis.

Several volume buyers from Cornwall, Devon, Somerset and West Wales travelled to the Cheshire farm near Malpas farm to compete with local farmers enabling the 520 milking cows and heifers to be sold by the three auctioneers at a rate of 86 an hour with the first day's proceedings being completed in exactly 6 hours.

A February second calver sired by Optimal giving 52kgs out of a 12,379kgs Nadal dam sold for 2,600gns to a Pembrokeshire buyer and a Medley sired March second calver also sold for 2,600gns to a Shropshire buyer.

A late February calved daughter of Boghill Glamour Damian off a 11,671kgs Promis dam sold for 2,500gns to a Cardiganshire buyer.

Two March second calvers sold for 2,500gns to a Worcestershire buyer.

A Cornish buyer purchased an October calved heifer sired by Applejax and back in calf for October again to Westcoast Retrolook for 2,500gns.

Biblical rain that fell on the second morning making long overdue field work again impossible resulted in another large turnout of buyers and another fast trade.

In-calf heifers calving in May sold to 1,950gns for a Mystic daughter off a 11,417kgs Promis dam calving next month to a Staffordshire buyer.

Bulling heifers peaked at 1,250gns and yearling heifers sold to 920gns.

94 cattle sold for over £2,000 during the two day sale.

Averages:

416 milking cows £1,752

83 cows with faults £1,065

47 in calf / served heifers £1,507

24 bulling heifers £949

124 yearling heifers £586

34 heifer calves £170