

Red & Whites glow in Sunshine Dispersal

It was a fine autumn day at Cefn Farm, Llansantffraid when the Astley family dispersed their superb herd of Ayrshires and Red & White blended cattle. An emotional day for them all but Laura, who is to be married soon will continue to breed dairy cattle as her fiancé farms dairy cattle in Cheshire. They purchased a fine nucleus in the sale to continue the bloodlines.

32 buyers from 15 different counties were recorded ranging from Dorset & Devon in the south to Ayrshire & Yorkshire in the north and Armagh across the Irish sea.

It was a very stylish in-calf heifer by Keopon Shield Red due in 4 weeks that topped the sale at 3300 guineas. Bred from 5 generations of Excellent cows from the Heydale herd she was claimed by Georgia Dyer for the Nine Barrow herd at Corfe Castle in Dorset. The dam of the heifer, lot 2, made 1650 gns carrying her 7th calf.



Knutsford Dainty 42 VG87 – 2,550gns

15 made 2,000gns or more including Knutsford Dainty 42 VG87, lot 42, 5 months calved and Sunshine Rubels Mara and in-calf heifer due in December to a Longhorn, both fetching 2,550gns.



Knutsford Pansy 317 VG88- 1900gns



Cuthill Towers Leader Ray EX92- 2,350gns

The young stock were a flying trade with served heifers peaking at 3,300gns as mentioned above, yearling heifers reaching 1,220gns three times and calves at foot topping at 1,300gns for a Jeepers Creepers daughter out of Cuthill Towers Leader Ray EX92, pictured above.

This small herd was a real credit to the Astley family and we are sure the cattle will do good things for their new owners. Our thanks to all for supporting the sale.

Averages:

78	Cows & Calved heifers	avg	£1,743
11	Served Heifers	avg	£1,814
13	Maiden Heifers	avg	£1,047
20	Heifer calves at foot	avg	£ 688
122	Head	avg	£1,502

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