2,220GNS TOP AT OASIS HOLSTEIN SALE

A crowd of determined buyers from the Midlands, South Wales and Northern Ireland attended the dispersal sale of Richard and Jane Skinner's all year calving Oasis herd near Gloucester.

The top price of the day was 2,200 guineas paid by C M Pugh from Kempley for a second calver which had calved in August following a 8,265kg heifer lactation. Her sire was Cogent D G Superstyle and off a 10,668 kg dam.

The same buyer purchased the top priced calved heifer for 2,000 guineas which had also calved in August. She was sired by Progenesis Provider and out of a 11,303kg dam.

The newly calved cattle met a very good trade with the staler cattle meeting less interest. However, a very smart second calver which had calved in April and due again next April sold for 1,850gns.

Prices for followers were back on the trade earlier in the year as is the case nationally with the onset of winter.

Leading prices in the youngstock section were 1,280gns for heifers due this side of Christmas and 570gns for yearlings. Heifer calves sold to 380gns.

Averages: 70 milking cows and heifers £1,405 (including 24 heifer calves at £222) 7 unwarranted cows £584 18 served heifers £789 18 maiden heifers £476 5 heifer calves £179

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