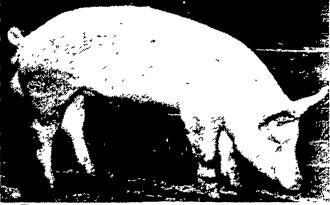


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The top-selling boar at the recent Delaware Performance Tested Boar Sale was submitted by Reno H. Thomas, Beavertown, Pa. The Yorkshire boar sold for \$1800 to Richard D. and Craig E. Miller, Spring Grove, Pa.

\$1800 paid for top Del. boar

NEWARK, Del. - A Pennsylvania swine breeder topped Delaware's Summer Boar Performance Testing program and also had the highest priced boars in the state's first Performance Tested Boar Sale held recently at the fairgrounds in Harrington. Reno H. Thomas of Brooks End Farm. Beavertown, Pa., submitted two pens for evaluation in this relatively new program. Two boars from this Yorkshire pen received summary index scores of 155 and 149, respectively. A score of 100 would be considered an average boar, according to the rules of the evaluation.

The top-selling Yorkshire boar brought \$1800 and was sold to Richard D. and Craig E. Miller of Spring Grove R1, Pa. The Miller brothers, both in their early 20's, are partners in a purebred swine production enterprise.

The second highest selling boar in the Delaware sale, another Brocks End Farm Yorkshire, sold to Clyde Betts and Son of Milton, Del., for \$1235. Third highest selling boar, a Brooks End Landrace was purchased by the University of Delaware for \$825. He will be used in the University's swine evaluation program which is operated in new facilities at the University's Georgetown Substation.

Fourteen young boars were sold in the tested boar sale representing four breeding farms and four breeds-Landrace, Yorkshire, Hampshire, and Duroc. They were purchased by 11 different buyers and, except for the Miller brothers, all were Delaware swine producers. The average sale price was \$585.

Other breeders submitting boars for testing and sale in addition to Brooks End Farm were Imperial Farm, Townsend, Del., M.J. Webb, Greenwood, Del., and Denna: d B. Hill, Bridgeville, Del.

The performance testing program and sale was administered by the Delaware Pork Producers Association.





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