

Mars-Tony daughters top Holstein State Calf Sale

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HARRISBURG — A buyer's market prevailed at the recent Holstein State Calf Sale at the Farm Show Complex. More than 190 animals were offered to Holstein breeders from across the state at an average price of \$1063, down slightly from last year's calf sale average.

Topping the sale was a \$3600 Mars-Tony daughter, Globe-Run E Tony Betty-ET, consigned by John Foster, Jr. and Harris Brothers, Petersburg. Out of FSA-Legacy Beautys Best, the 8-month-old calf went back to Petersburg in care of the Betty Syndicate.

The Best cow is scored VG-87 and has a 3 years and 9 month milk record of 25,190 pounds milk and 1061 pounds fat with 4.2 percent test in 365 days. Best boasts a +493M and +\$103 index.

Betty's 2E-GMD granddam, Our-Own Ivan Star Beauty, topped out, at 5 years and 10 months, at 31,251 pounds milk and 1264 pounds fat at 4.0 percent test.

The Betty calf was one of four calves to bring \$3000 or more. The second high seller was also a Mars-Tony daughter, while the third and fourth high sellers were by Valiant and Ijon.

Allen Johnson, of Hamponville, N.C., purchased Joell-Haven Mars Jen-ET for a bid of \$3300. Consignors were George and Paul

Sheypuk, and Carl and Joe Matechak, Jermyn.

The 5-month-old Jen-ET is out of Parkmont Glendell Joell, an Ex, 91-2E Glendell daughter with a top production record of 27,125 pounds milk and 1133 of fat at 4.2 test. Joell has a +913M, +\$136 index.

Consigned by Lewis and Barbara Berkley, Berkline Valiant Cindy-ET brought the third highest price of the sale. Helen Knepper, of Berlin, purchased the 9-month-old calf for a bid of \$3200.

Cindy-ET is out of Berkline Rora Prestige Connie. Scored Ex-90, Connie is a show winner with a production record of 27,202 pounds milk, 1027 fat.

Selling for \$3000 was an Oakenbound-W Chief Fern-ET daughter by Sterk R A Ijon. At 3 years and 4 months the VG-86 Fern cow produced 27,539 pounds of 4.5 milk and 1227 pounds fat. She has a +861M, +\$155 index.

The Fern daughter was also purchased by Allen Johnson, Hamponville, N.C.

The sale average on 195 head was \$1063, with a total sale volume of \$166,850. The prices were down slightly from last year's state calf



Globe-Run E Tony Betty-ET captured the high bid of \$3600 at the Holstein State Calf Sale last Friday. From right are: John A. Foster, Jr., Wilfred and Lynn Harris, and John A. Foster, III.

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