

Major Dairy Sales And Dispersals Nationwide



Reports from three sales for the week of June 26 to July 3 showed 197 head averaging \$7,916. These sales were held in Vermont, Ohio and Wisconsin. The top prices at the sales ranged from \$159,000 to \$1,325. Here is a brief look at the results of these sales.

JERSEY

The STROH JERSEY FARM DISPERSAL, held in Ohio, averaged \$648 on 88 head. Topping the sale was a 5-year-old daughter of Quicksilver Magic of Ogston. Her top record is 18,739 pounds of milk and 650 pounds of fat.

Second high of the sale was a Favorite Saint daughter. Selling for \$1,275, this 3-year old in progress record, at 117 days, is 5,000 pounds of milk and 198 pounds of fat.

Wayne Sliker managed the sale and Tim Eiting handled the auctioneering duties.

HOLSTEIN

The SECOND LYLEHAVEN ALL STAR SALE, held in Vermont, averaged \$19,000 on 55 head. The highest bid of the day was \$230,000 on a Valiant daughter. The dam of this 2-year-old is Northcroft Ella Elevation (3E-97), the number one CTPI cow in the U.S.

Just fresh, Ella's daughter has produced, in 34 days, 2,304 pounds of milk, 86 pounds of fat with a 3.7

test, and 71 pounds of protein.

Coming in with the second highest price of \$159,000 was a December son of Rockalli Son of Bova. His dam, a Valiant daughter, has a high record of 23,130 pounds of milk and 872 pounds of fat. In her present lactation, at 93 days, she has produced 10,510 pounds of milk.

She is classified EX-94 and is a Gold Medal Dam.

Third in the bidding, with a price of \$130,000 was a VG-85 Round Oak Apple Elevation daughter. This 2-year old, in 246 days, has produced 19,630 pounds of milk and 759 pounds of fat.

She is due in September to Trugden Moch Four and is a maternal sister to the second highest selling entry. She sold with five Walkway Chief Mark pregnancies due in July.

Bruce Whittier and Butch Crack were the auctioneers and Horace Backus and Ken Empey read pedigrees.

The GENESIS 86 SALE, held in Wisconsin, averaged \$4,100 on 54 head. Topping the sale was Ford's highest indexing daughter, plus 1888M, plus 61F and plus \$213. This 3-year old sold for \$32,000 with a contract to Big Al. Classified VG-85, she produced, in 365 days, a record of 32,954 pounds of milk and 1,155 pounds of fat.

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This sale index can help dairymen place a value on the dairy cows on their own herds. Breed organization sales and private dispersal sales reported in Lancaster Farming are included in the dollar averages.

	Ayrshire	Brown Swiss	Guernsey	Jersey
Year to date:				
Nation	721	940	961	912
Pennsylvania	1027	—	556	1332
Four previous weeks:				
Nation	—	—	1617	916
Four previous weeks				
+/-year to date:	—	—	656 higher	4 higher
	Holstein	Red and White	Milking Shorthorn	
Year to date:				
Nation	1787	2837	672	
Pennsylvania	1292	2837	922	
Four previous weeks:				
Nation	1825	—	421	
Four previous weeks				
+/- year to date:	38 higher		251 lower	

Delaware Slates Workshop

NEWARK, Del. — The Delaware Holstein Association in conjunction with the Delaware Cooperative Extension Service will sponsor a workshop for dairy farmers and their families on Saturday, July 12, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Charles and Charmayne Busker Farm, on Route 14 west of Harrington.

The workshop will cover the evaluation of calves, heifers and cows for traits related to longevity and production ability. There will also be a session on training and preparing animals for show competition, a fitting and showmanship contest, and dairy bowl contest, plus an ice cream break and family picnic.

With the Delaware State Fair due to open shortly afterwards, University of Delaware extension dairy specialist Dr. George Haenlein says the workshop will offer producers a timely opportunity to improve their showmanship skills. It will also help them evaluate individual animals in their herds.

"Success in dairy farming is greatly influenced by herd strength and longevity," Haenlein says. "Whether the cows in a herd last an average five, six or eight years translates quickly into the overhead costs involved in raising replacement calves. Selecting these calves is another crucial economic decision. Which ones will be worth two years of care without production returns? Farmers must base such decisions on experience and knowledge of the strengths and weaknesses of each animal."

Haenlein says the skills to do this are gained through years of working with cattle, training in schools, 4-H and FFA projects, and breed association and extension programs, including workshops such as the upcoming one.

There is no fee to participate, but bring a bag lunch. Those who plan to stay for supper should also bring a covered dish. Beverages, meat and place settings will be provided. For further details, call the Buskers at 398-4764 or Haenlein at 451-1333.

Her Very Good dam, a Penn State Ivanhoe Star daughter, has records over 36,000 pounds of milk and 1,400 pounds of fat.

Second high of the sale, with a price of \$24,000, was a 2-year-old Valor daughter. In 184 days she has a record of 11,980 pounds of milk and 509 pounds of fat. Her dam is Excellent and has records over 22,000 pounds of milk.

She sold with foreign embryo

contracts and a contract to a 21st Century bull.

An August 1985 Valor daughter garnered the third high price of \$17,100. Her dam, a VG-86 Nugget daughter, has a CTPI of 920 and a record of 28,741 pounds of milk and 1,439 pounds of fat with a 5 percent test.

Her granddam, a 4E-94-GMD Chief daughter, has a high record of 37,718 pounds of milk and 1,913

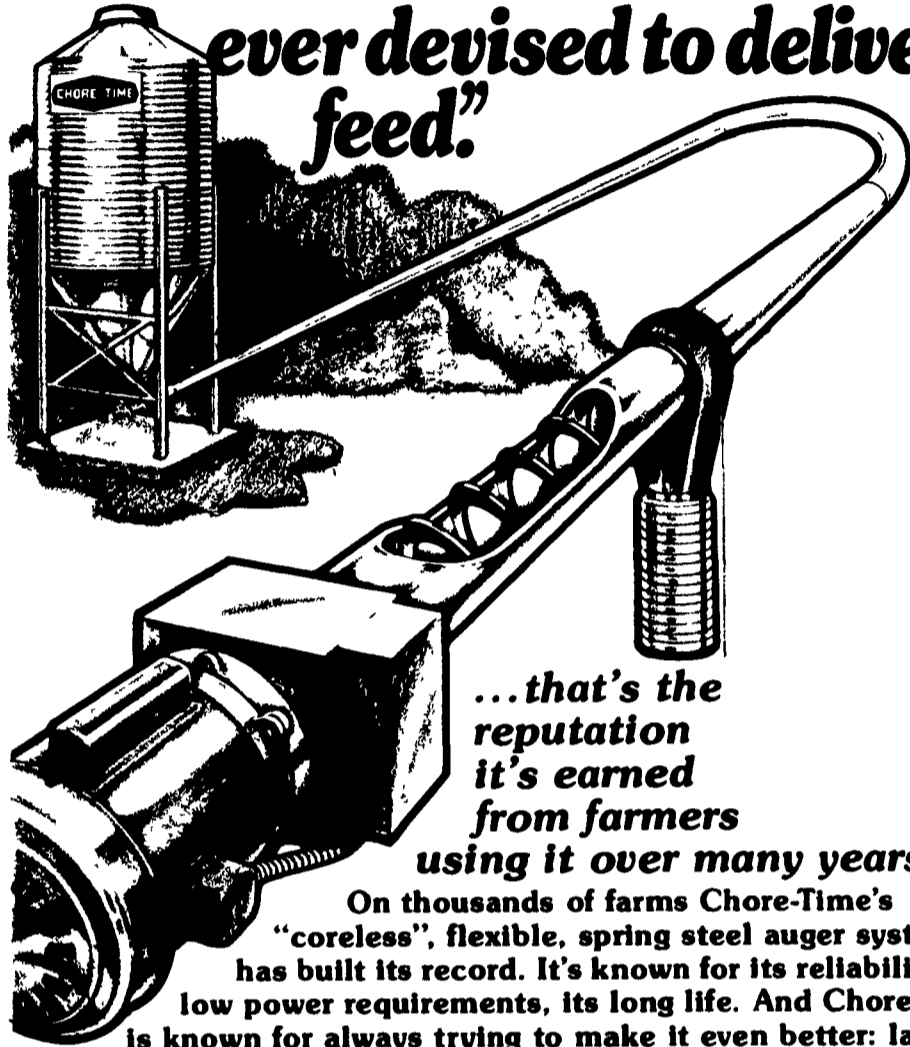
pounds of fat.

Rounding out the top four was a VG-87 Simon daughter. This 2-year old sold for \$14,000 and is bred to Walkway Chief Mark. She has a high record of 20,690 pounds of milk and 833 pounds of fat.

Her VG-86 dam has a top record of 22,130 pounds of milk and 919 pounds of fat.

Keith Stump was the auctioneer for the sale.

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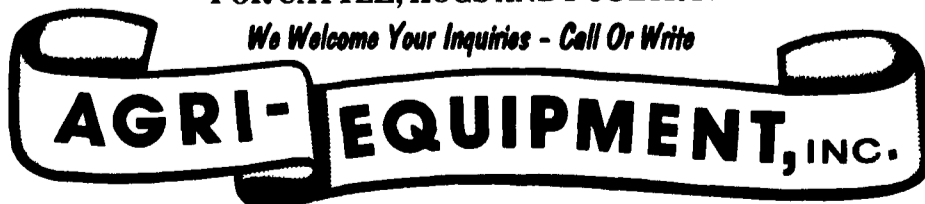
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