Del-Mar Invitational Sale Averages \$1,103

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FAIR HILL, Md. — It was a cold Saturday evening when Denny Remsburg brought the gavel down to begin the 1986 Del-Mar Invitational Holstein Sale at the Fair Hill Fairgrounds. This was the second year for this select group of registered Holsteins from Delaware and counties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

The 28 head averaged \$1,103 for a

total of \$30,910.

The first animal sold, a Straight-Pine Elevation Pete daughter, also happened to be the sale topper by selling for \$2,025. Doreen Lowe consigned the heifer, Gallantry Pete Curio-ET; Walter Hopkins from Lewis, Del. was the successful bidder.

Whittier Farms Ned Boy. Her dam over 21,000 pounds of milk. The classified Excellent as an 8 year old and produced a top record as a 6 year old of 30,631 pounds of milk and 1,191 pounds of fat, milked pounds of fat. three times per day.

Her next two dams classified Very Good with records over 20,000 pounds of milk.

Robert Knutsen from Cecil County, Md. bought the next high animal, Vermac Tony Patsy, with a bid of \$1,900. This Marshfield Elevation Tony heifer, consigned by John Merryman of Sparks, will freshen in January to Glendell Arlinda Chief.

Her EX-90 dam produced a high record as a 5 year old of 21,090 pounds of milk and 839 pounds of fat in 296 days. The next dam

fourth dam in the pedigree is gold medal with a lifetime record of 116,100 pounds of milk and 4,847

Three more animals sold for bids over \$1,500.

The sale ended with the unlocking of a collar on a Pinta Lane Conductor Jason heifer calf donated by Fair Hill Farm. Every

consignor and buyer received a key and the key that opened the lock on the collar won the calf. Ted Reed possessed the key that turned the lock.



Walter Hopkins, right, bought the sale topper, Gallantry Pete Curio-ET, at the Del Mar Invitational Sale for \$2,050. Robert Hopkins purchased the second highest seller, Vermac Tony Patsy, with a bid of \$1,900.

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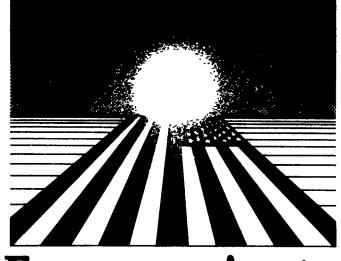
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