

# Progress Of Pen-Col Sale Average \$7,535

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**MILLVILLE** — For \$100,000 the Nicolas bull syndicate, Millville, purchased identical twin bulls at the Progress of Pen-Col Sale, Millville, on Nov. 17. With the purchase of the bulls the syndicate not only topped the sale, but benefitted three funds for children with liver disease as well.

The twin bulls, Odessey CSK Pen-Col Magic ETS and Odyssey Pen-Col Miracle ETS are the first results of Pen-Col's embryo splitting. The bulls were sold with open end lease agreements.

Pen-Col Conductor Devine, VG-87, dam of the twin bulls, at 1 year and 10 months produced 27,104 pounds of milk with a 4.2 percent test in 365 days. She possesses a cow index of plus 1,003 milk, plus 42 fat with a CTPI of plus 600 and is the daughter of Pen-Col Wayne Deena, VG-88 EX-MS, with a cow index of plus 1,553 milk and plus \$189. As a 3 year old she produced 32,226 milk with a 4.1 test. Sire of the twins is Den-K Kirk Boy.

The maternal sister to the bulls is Pen-Col Bell Dream who ranks 16th in the breed for CTPI at plus 921. Her cow index stands at plus 2,283 milk, plus 87 fat, plus 72 protein and plus \$279 with a CTPI of plus 921.

Chris Luck, Rocky Mount, Va., purchased Mun-Cre Valiant Milady-ET, VG-88, for \$69,000 which made her the highest priced individual cow at the sale. Milady sold as part of a package that included four Mark pregnancies, one Caprie pregnancy and 47 embryo contracts.

Milady is a Valiant daughter from the notable Mun-Cre Elevation Melodee cow, EX-93 3E, who produced 27,457 pounds of milk and 1,082 pounds of fat in 365 days.

Ranked 67th in breed for CTPI,

Milady has a score of plus 816 and owns a cow index of plus 1,331 milk, plus 70 fat and plus \$194. As 2 year old, in 365 days, she produced 21,424 pounds of milk with a 4.4 fat test and a 3.4 protein test. She is out of a three generation Excellent background tracing back to Pen-Col Ivanhoe Maggie, VG-87.

Pen-Col Bell Dream, the aforementioned maternal sister to the top priced twin bulls, sold for \$50,000 to Frank Jurbala, Orangeville. Dream classified VG-85. She was sold with two pregnancies to Mark, four to Jetson, one to Rotate and contracts for several embryos.

Buyer Jurbala feels he made a good buy. "I bought her for her position on the super cow list and the amount of contracts that were written on her which amounted to \$58,000 not counting pregnancies," he observed.

She produced a top record as a 2 year old of 32,041 milk with a 3.8 fat test and a 3.4 protein test.

Cows that sold for \$40,000 each were: Pen-Col Jetson Decoration-ET to William H. Pettit Jr., Vincenttown, N.J. and Mason Johnson III, Rockland, Md.; Pen-Col Jetson Design-ET to Frank Jurbala; and Pen-Col Enchantment Cassy to agent Granada Land and Cattle Corporation, Hanford, Calif. The Decoration and Design cows were out of Pen-Col's Deena cow and Cassy's dam was Pen-Col Pete Cathy.

Sale average was \$7,535 on 102 lots with buyers from as far away as Denmark.

Wolff said the sale was held because they have more cattle than they can effectively manage in their facility. He anticipates carrying on business as usual after the sale.

Backus Associates Inc., Elizabethtown, managed the sale.



Representatives of the breeders syndicate which bought the twin bulls, representatives of groups that will benefit from the \$100,000 donation to Children's Liver Transplant Foundation, Horace and Charles Backus, auctioneers, the Wolff family and the calves pose for a group photo. Ben and Corey Wolff hold calves.

## RCMA Meeting Held

**BLUE BALL** — The Regional Cooperative Marketing Agency permits member dairymen to increase their net income by securing over-order prices. A meeting held recently in Blue Ball explained the advantages of membership in RCMA.

Richard Grubb, Pennsylvania secretary of agriculture, pointed out that RCMA provides a way for milk producers to help themselves.

Before RCMA can start to secure over-order prices, the organization needs the support of at least 95 percent of the milk producers within the Northeast.

Grubb noted that RCMA has the support of all of the state departments of agriculture in the Nor-

theast. Here in Pennsylvania the department of agriculture is working with the steering committee of RCMA. The steering committee includes six representatives from three major farm organizations: Carl Brown and Karl Kroeck, PFA; Donald Duncan and Robert Pardoe, the Grange; and Arden Tewksbury and Harold Wolfe, PFU.

Leon Wilkinson, the producer representative on the Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board, explained that presently the Board has no position on RCMA. However, the Board has the necessary means to deal with over-order pricing when it becomes a reality, he noted.

RCMA was established in 1973 by eight cooperatives. Today there are over 40 cooperatives in the 11 Northeast state with membership in RCMA. The by-laws were recently amended to allow independent dairymen to join and have representation on the board and a voice in the operation of RCMA.

Premiums will be paid to all producers on an equitable basis with all milk dealers in a region receiving the same treatment.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information on signing up in RCMA should contact a member of the steering committee or Arthur Little, committee coordinator, 315-476-9101.

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