

Valiant Son Tops Irish Holiday Calf Sale

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MEADVILLE — Quality calves from excellent bloodlines were the 'pot of gold' for buyers at the Irish Holiday Sale March 21.

The top of the lot was LF-Queens-Manor Valid-ET. The year old bull commanded \$6,000 and went to United Breeders, Ontario. Valid was one of three bulls sold from the Leadfield Glamourous Eve cow. Classified EX-92, she produced a 5 year old record of 40,309 pounds of milk and 1,452 pounds of fat. This Valiant son was consigned by Queens-Manor Holsteins, Leadfield Associates, and Gayle Carson.

Two females shared the limelight by selling for the high bid of \$5,600.

LF-Queens-Manor Fortune-ET was sired by Mel-est Valiant Irose Melvin and out of the Eve cow. She sold to Obsession Haven Holsteins in Iowa. The white heifer was consigned by Queens-Manor, Leadfield and Carson.

DT-Queens-Manor Ballero-ET, a November calf, was the second

lot to claim the \$5,600 bid.

This calf, along with DT-Queens-Manor Ballarino-ET which sold for \$5,000, are offspring of Cherry Brook LTD Balboa. Balboa took the championship at the Pennsylvania Holstein Show in September 1985 as a senior 2 year old and was nominated for the All-American 2 year old honor. Classified VG-89 EX-MS, she has a 31,745 pounds milk record to her credit. Carson, who read pedigrees, said of Balboa, "I just saw her yesterday and she looks great...she'll be one of the greats."

The two Sweet-Haven Tradition daughters were consigned by Queens-Manor, David Dowler and David Thomas.

One other consignment broke the \$5,000 mark, a full brother to the Balboa heifers. DT-Queens-Manor Rocky-ET sold to United Breeders.

According to sale manager Ed Doeberiner it was "a real good sale" with many of the animals going out of state. Buyers came from Canada, California, Florida, Iowa, Wisconsin, Maryland, South

Carolina as well as the neighboring states. He speculated 75 percent of the animals went outside of Crawford County.

The sale totaled \$146,300 on 86 head for an average of \$1,701.16. The consignments included six males with the rest being calves or

yearlings.

The sale was sponsored by the Crawford County Holstein Club and held at the county fairgrounds.

Guernsey Breeders Elect Officers

SHARTLESVILLE — The Berks-Lebanon-Schuylkill County Guernsey Breeders Association held their annual dinner meeting recently at the Shartlesville Grange.

Officers re-elected include: Jerry Krone, president; Carl Hollenbach, vice president; David Smith, secretary; and Robert Smith, treasurer. Ray Stoltzfus and Miles Hollenbach retained their director positions.

Guernsey mugs were given to the following junior members who completed Guernsey 4-H and FFA projects last year: Sherri Zollers, Andy Zollers, Carl Miller, Kevin Schlegel, Heidi Schlegel, Clayton Snyder, Becky Snyder, Amy Hollenbach, Susan Hollenbach, Tom Hostetter, Charly Hostetter and Karen Heilinger.

William Zollers Sr. reported on the Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders state meeting held March 7 in Pittsburgh. Zollers, chairman of the National Guernsey Breeders Convention, encouraged the group to attend the convention slated for the Sheraton in Pittsburgh, May 21 to 25. Sherri Zollers detailed the youth activities planned for the national convention.

Lee Yost, business manager for the Pennsylvania Guernsey Association, explained the activities of the state group and the sale of the Guernsey Barn in Lancaster.

Millie Linde Widmann concluded the program with a slide presentation on her trip to the World Guernsey Conference held last year in Australia.



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