

Md. Holds 'Elite' Jersey Sale

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WESTMINSTER, Md. — The Maryland "Elite" Jersey Heifer Sale II, sponsored by the Maryland Jersey Cattle Club, was held last Saturday here at Maryland Sunset View Farm.

Sixty head of some of the best Jersey heifers in North America were auctioned off at an average price of \$2,173 per head, with a 15 percent commission going to the sponsoring club.

The high mark for the sale was a summer yearling, "Curtsey Imperial Jenny," which went for \$6,500 to buyer Lorne Ella of Rock-Ella Farm in Canada.

The heifer, out of "Valley-stream Title June EX-92," was of Curtsey Farms, Hubbardstown, Maine. Her pedigree contains a background of all "excellent" ratings.

Show Clerk, Chris Forsythe said, "All of the heifers in the sale were approved by sale committee before the sale." Sale organizers included Micheal Heath, Wayne Stiles, Jim Stonesifer (owner of Maryland Sunset View Farm), Jack Kahler, Mike Birch, and

Mike Heath. Cattle came in from Canada, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, New York, Virginia, Kentucky, and Maine. The Maryland State Jersey Queen, Miss Katie Norman of Fulton, Maryland was on hand to help with the clerking.

Auctioneer Chris Hill pressed for top prices with the aid of Canadian Russell Gammon who read pedigrees and outlined each heifer, relating the dams top pounds of milk production and protein counts as well as show history.

The second highest selling heifer was a summer yearling which came out of Star Point and Clay Bank Farm in Quarryville, Pa. The heifer, "SMS-CBS Hermitage Quiz Et," sold for \$6,350 to George Debam of Terra View Farm, Worton, Md.

The heifer came from a prestigious background. Its dam was sold for \$13,000 two years ago at the All American Sale and had a record of 57 pounds of protein, while the sire boasts sperm sales to Argentina, Canada, and Australia.

The third highest price brought at the Maryland Jersey Heifer Sale was \$6,200 for an unborn first

choice male or female calf out of "Gaywinds Duñcan Cris-Et EX" owned by Ed and Carol Kahler of Keymar, Md. The buyer was Bernie Way of Patch Farms.

An oil portrait of the dam was displayed in the ring to show the calf's potential.

Clerk Chris Forsythe said everyone involved was pleased with the outcome of the sale. "It was a success!"



The top-selling Jersey at the sale was a \$6,500 summer yearling called Curtsey Imperial Jenny. Pictured with the heifer is, from left to right, back, Russell Gammon, Chris Hill, and Michael Heath. Front, buyer, Lorne Ella and Emily Birch.



The third highest selling Jersey was an unborn first choice male or female from Ed and Carol Kahler of Keymar, Md., which went for \$6,200. Pictured are, from left, back, Russell Gammon, Chris Hill, and Michael Heath. Front, buyer, Bernie Way of Patch Farms, consigner, Jack Kahler and contender, Roger Ray.



Second highest selling Jersey was a summer yearling, SMS-CBS Hermitage Quiz-Et of Star Point & Clay Bank Farm, Quarryville, PA which sold at \$6,300. Pictured with the heifer is, from right to left, back, Russell Gammon, who read pedigrees during the sale; Chris Hill, auctioneer; and Michael Heath, sales chairman. Front, buyer, George Debnam of Terra View Farm, and consigner, John Batchelder of Star Point and Clay Bank Farm. Heifer is held by Emily Birch.



An unborn first choice female, (picked out of four pregnancies from Waverly Farm in Clearbrook, Vt.) sold for \$5,950. A portrait of the dam, a two-time All American Winner, was displayed in the sale ring to show the calf's potential. With the portrait are, from left to right, back, Russell Gammon, Chris Hill, and Michael Heath. Front Lorne Ella (buyer) Bernie Way of Patch Farm (contender), and seller Claire Dufford of Waverly Farms.



Juno Magic of Billings from The Billings Farm in Woodstock, Vermont sold for \$5,100. Pictured are, from left to right, back, Russell Gammon, Chris Hill, and Michael Heath. Front, Lorne Ella, contender, and Scott Stansford and Danielle Nauman, buyers.