

HARRISON & HETHERINGTON LIMITED, CARLISLE

FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2015

PEDIGREE SALES – 3 NATIONS SUFFOLK SALE

The 3 Nations Suffolk sale once again attracted great interest which included consignments from regular flocks Rhaeadr (Myfyr Evans), Limestone (Mark Priestley), Ballynacannon (Dennis Taylor) and Solwaybank (Ian & Judith Barbour), along with guest consignments from Cairness (Jimmy Douglas) and Saffaden (Mike Davies).

It was a ewe lamb (A12:15:01286) from the Rhaeadr flock that topped the sale at 11,000gns. This eye catching entry, a daughter of Rookery Best of the Best and out of a Baileys BMW sired mother, is arguably one of the best ewe lambs ever to be sold from the flock. She is maternal sister to the noted Rhaeadr Dynamic and sold to Richard Fitton for his Maestro flock based near Bolton, Lancashire.

The next entry to the sale ring was also a ewe lamb from the Rhaeadr flock (A12:15:01285). This was another Rookery Best of the Best daughter and out of a ewe by Ardlea Arbenning. The dam line also carries Castlewellan Cruz breeding. She was purchased for 7000gns by Julia Cornish for her Mardle flock, Buckfastleigh, Devon.

The gimmers on offer from Rhaeadr were lead by a trio selling for 3200gns. The first (A12:14:01025) was a Rhaeadr The Real McCoy daughter out of a Rhaeadr Rossi sired mother and sold in lamb to Rookery Best of the Best. She is from the same family as the 21,000gns lamb ram sold at the English National Sale this year. She was knocked down to A Barclay of Ballymena, Co.Antrim, N.Ireland.

The second Rhaeadr gimmer to sell at 3200gns was another Real McCoy daughter (A12:14:00942). Her mother is by Baileys Brigadier The Second and she sold in lamb to Rookery Best of the Best. She joins the Salopian flock for Philip Poole, Shrewsbury.

The third entry in this line up was an Ardlea Arbenning gimmer (A12:14:00952). Her dam line carries Baileys Brigadier The Second and Thurston Calzghe breeding and her gdam is also gdam of the great Rhaeadr The Real McCoy. Selling in lamb to the Best of the Best ram she goes to Dumfriesshire breeders W & M Haining of the Highdrum flock near Dunscore.

Heading up the Limestone flock at 5500gns was a Rhaeadr Ring-A-Ding sired gimmer (KPC:14:00426). Out of a homebred mother by Clunty Mackenzie she sold in lamb to Castleisle Knockout. Also with this gimmer was 5 grade 1 embryos by the 10,000gn Limestone Brigadier. Successful purchaser was M McNally of Draperstown, N.Ireland.

Leading the ewes on offer from Limestone was a Limestone To-tal daughter (KPC:12:021). Her pedigree carries Kings Theatre and Crosemanor Jubilee King bloodlines and she sold in lamb to Limestone Saracen. This ewe is mother of the 10,000gn Brigadier and 6000gn Roxy and she was successfully flushed earlier this year. She was purchased was Julia Cornish for her Mardle flock.

The Solwaybank flock was headed up with the first of their gimmers to be offered (FHT:14:00830). Selling for 4200gns, this Solwaybank Casion Royale daughter, is the twin sister to the flocks show gimmer who won 1st prize and Reserve Female Champion Royal Highland Show earlier this year. Selling in lamb to Lakeview Harbinger, she was purchased by P Delves for the Bridgeview flock, Churchstoke, Powys.

The first ewe from the Solwaybank flock sold for 3000gns (JOD:11:005). Sired by Rhaeadr Rastafari and out of a Solwaybank Special One bred mother, this ewe is no stranger to the show ring as she won 2nd prize at this years Royal Highland Show and has won the red ticket at four other shows during the show season. She also sold in lamb to the Lakeview Harbinger and was purchased by G Killilea of Co.Galway, Eire.

The Cairness flock also topped at 4200gns for a gimmer (33H:14:0193). This eye catching lady is a daughter of Glenhead Titanium and out of a Deveronside Speedway sired mother and sold in lamb to Morris The Genius. She was sold to D Duncan of Co.Antrim, N.Ireland.

The first gimmer to be sold from the Ballynacannon flock (KKW:14:00535), was knocked down for 1800gns. This was a Birness Bacardi daughter out of a Strathisla Shadrach bred mother and in lamb to Mountford Mustang. Her dam is a triplet sister to the noted Commanders mother and is also dam of Blaze, Braveheart and M&M. She was purchased by RF Holmes of Exeter.

The Saffaden flock sold to a leading price of 750gns for the last gimmer of their consignment (NLH:14:00543). This was a Forkins Fagan sired entry out of a Strathisla Stoner sired dam and in lamb to Muirton Mercedes. She sold to A Currie of Hamilton, Lanarkshire.

*Averages* - Rhaeadr flock 10 shearling gimmers £2110.50, 8 ewe lambs £3609.30; Ballynacannon flock 14 shearling gimmers £873.75; Limestone flock 3 ewes £2012.50, 5 shearling gimmers £1953.00, 6 ewe lambs £1190.00; Solwaybank flock 4 ewes £1194.30, 6 shearling gimmers £1715.00; Cairness flock 10 shearling gimmers £1275.70; Saffaden flock 2 ewes £367.50, 7 shearling gimmers £622.50.

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