

HARRISON & HETHERINGTON LIMITED, CARLISLE

FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015

PEDIGREE SALES – DARK DIAMONDS SUFFOLK SALE

The new sale of Dark Diamonds Suffolks was made up to nine noted breeders, namely - Lakeview flock (GC Beacom), Forkins flock (Alistair R Gault), Birness flock (George L Stuart), Strathbogie flock (James C Innes), Deveronside flock (Stuart G Mair & Sons), Carony flock (L & M Liggett), Roundacre flock (Ross Lawrence), Kings flock (TA Irwin & Son) and the Balquhain flock (Graeme J Christie).

Heading up the sale at 9000gns was a gimmer from the Lakeview flock (JFF:14:01281). This was a daughter of the 36,000gn Solwaybank Major out a Strathisla Shadrach bred mother and sold in lamb to the 25,000gn Rhaeadr Rolex. She is maternal sister to the RUAS supreme champion of 2014 and 2015 and is ET sister to the flocks show gimmer of 2015. She is also maternal sister to the noted show winning ram Lakeview Harbinger. She sold to join the Rookery flock for Chris Holmes of Worcestershire.

Also from the Lakeview flock was the first gimmer to the sale ring which sold for 4000gns (JFF:14:01293). This was another daughter of Solwaybank Major and her dam was by Garryhinch Empire. She sold in lamb to the 20,000gn Strathbogie Jackpot. This entry is one of Lakeview flocks best gimmers this year and her maternal lines include the Supreme Champion RUAS 2011 and 2013. A half share sold to Ashley Bothwell for his Smithson flock based in Ayrshire with a half share being retained by Gary Beacom.

Selling for 2300gns from Lakeview was another Solwaybank Major yearling daughter also out of a Garryhinch Empire sired mother and in lamb to Strathbogie Jackpot. She is ET sister to Lakeview Fusion and Lakeview Major Tom, also maternal sister to Lakeview Hammer Time. She was purchased by Shaun Dickson of Co.Down, N.Ireland for his Islandmoyle flock.

A further three entries from Lakeview all sold for 2000gns or above. The first was the gimmer (JFF:14:01367) sired by Major and the dam by Lakeview Leeroy. She sold in lamb to Rhaeadr Rolex. Her maternal line is related to many noted rams including Tornado, Great Expectations and Bargain Hunt. She was knocked down at 2200gns to John Sinnett for his Stockton flock, Worcester.

Leading the prices in the ewe section at 2000gns was a Lakeview four crop entry (JFF:11:009). This was a daughter of Garryhinch Empire and carries Strathisla Lift T'the Stars and Burnview Rising Star through her mothers pedigree. Her dam is mother of several registered rams and noted leading priced gimmers from the Lakeview flock. She had been flushed successfully this year and sold being left open to allow the option for winter flushing. She was purchased by an undisclosed buyer.

Also selling at 2000gns from Lakeview was a Major sired gimmer (JFF:14:01194) who is out of a Shannagh Shergar bred mother and sold in lamb to Strathbogie Jackpot. Her dam is ET sister to the 15,000gn Lakeview Leeroy. She sold to join the Forkins flock for Alistair Gault based in Co.Antrim, N.Ireland.

The next leading priced consignment was the Forkins flock which led at 3200gns paid twice. First to sell at this price was a Birness Bacardi sired gimmer out of a Baileys and Ice daughter (AOR:14:01225).

She sold in lamb to the 10,000gn Mountford Mustang ram and is maternal sister to the noted Forkins Ferrai. She was purchased by Garth Graham of Sligo, Eire for his Kirriemuir flock.

The next lot into the sale ring from Forkins also sold for 3200gns (AOR:14:01218). This was another Bacardi daughter and out of a Cairness Kanine sired mother who is one of the best ewes in the flock. She was purchased by Stephen Cobbald of Sudbury, Suffolk.

The top price from the Birness flock was the first gimmer to sell at 3000gns (1W:14:01254). This was a Lakeview Gold Rush daughter out of a Meikleson Square Up bred dam and in lamb to the 10,000gn Redbrae Rambo ram. Sold was purchased by Gary Beacom for his Lakeview flock.

The Strathbogie flock was led by a gimmer (SUT:14:00849) selling for 2800gns. This was a Ballynacannon Commander sired gimmer and bred from a Strathbeg Stan The Man mother. She sold in lamb to the 14,000gn Castleisle Knockout ram and was knocked down to Mark Priestley for his Limestone flock based in Co.Down, N.Ireland.

Two gimmers both sold for 2000gns each heading up the consignment from the Deveronside flock. First at this price was a Rhaeadr Red Devil sired gimmer (NAJ:14:00333) and out of a Strathisla Speed bred mother. She sold in lamb to Roundacre Rojo and goes to the Irongray flock of R & S Hiddleston, Dumfries.

Also at 2000gns from the Deveronside flock was a Deveronside Dennis The Menace daughter (NAJ:14:00348) and out of a ewe by Strathbeg Stan The Man. She sold in lamb to Rhaeadr Red Devil and was purchased by Brandon Roth for his Tolgus flock based in Cornwall.

The Carony flock was led at 1700gns for a triplet born gimmer by Rhaeadr Vodka (DBB:14:00416) and out of a Cairness Achievement sired mother. She sold in lamb to Rhaeadr Readymix and also travels to Eire to join the Kirriemuir flock for Garth Graham.

It was a substitute ewe lamb entry that led the Balquhain flock consignment selling for 1800gns (PDN:15:00598). This lamb is by Strathisla Stifler and her mother is by Strathbeg Stan The Man. She sold to Clare Ann Anderson of Forfar for her Creagbhalg flock.

A ewe from the Roundacre flock headed up this consignment selling for 1500gns (NHL:12:007). This powerful lady is by Cairness Kaos and her mother is by Strathbeg Stan The Man. She sold in lamb to Forkins Fire Starter and was purchased by Julia Cornish for her Mardle flock based in Devon.

The Kings flock was led at 1100gns for a four crop ewe (CAL:11:090). She is sired by Cairness Carbon and out of a Strathisla Schumacher bred mother and sold in lamb to Cairness Great Expectations. She was sold to Scott & Gavin Brown for their Capielaw flock near Gorebridge, Mid Lothian.

Averages - Lakeview flock 5 ewes £1365.00, 32 gimmers £1274.77; Forkins flock 6 gimmers £1758.75; Birness flock 8 gimmers £1063.13; Strathbogie flock 4 gimmers £1391.25; Deveronside flock 5 gimmers £1260.00; Carony flock 3 gimmers £1295.00; Roundacre flock 4 ewes £997.50, 2 gimmers £682.50, 2 ewe lambs £1050.00; Kings flock 3 ewes £805.00, 3 recipients £682.50; Balquhain flock 8 gimmers £459.38, 1 ewe lamb £1890.00.

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