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BEEF SHORTHORN BULLS TO 2400 GNS AT CHELFORD NATIVE BREED EVENT

Auctioneers Frank Marshall and Co attracted an entry of some 70 pedigree and pure bred cattle to their Annual Spring Native British Breeds Multi Breed sale at Chelford last Monday, where trade was led by a Beef Shorthorn Bull, Holmeere Hamish August 2008 born Beef Shorthorn, presented by Albrighton Staffordshire breeder Mark Holmes, which made 2400 gns to J Tatton, Cheddleton, Staffordshire.

The bull was one of a select number forward at the Beef Shorthorn Society sale, which saw the leading heifer, Llanarth Evelyn, a November 2008 born daughter of Llanarth Titan, due in November to the homebred bull Llanarth Emlyn make 2000 gns. She was presented by Ceredigion breeders Keith and Sue Mitchell, and purchased by Mr & Mrs A Weaver, Hanmer, Whitchurch.

The sale included not only Beef Shorthorn cattle, but also entries from the Longhorn, Highland and Angus breeds.

Leading the Angus at 2100 gns was the December 2005 born bull Woodvale Braveheart put forward as part of a herd dispersal by Norman Belfield, of Macclesfield. His Daneside Herd was being dispersed as a result of loss of tenancy on some of his land, and attracted strong bidding for the breeding stock on offer. Braveheart, sire of all the calves on show out of Mr Belfield's cows, went home to Walkden, Manchester, with Mrs J Day, whilst best of the cows and calves at 1080 gns was the May 2006 born Daneside Emma, with her bull calf by Braveheart at foot, who went to Rainow, Macclesfield with Messrs Stevenson.

In the Longhorn section, Bollin Valley Project, strong supporters of Longhorn sales at Chelford for many years, will be awarded with the top price of 1550 gns for their April 2003 born cow Bollin Damaris with her heifer calf at foot by Frondeg Duke. Damaris, a daughter of the great bred bull Linton Trojan went home to Long Stanton, Cambridgeshire with Mr Stephen Wright, whilst best of the Longhorn heifers on sale came from Wincle, Macclesfield breeders Gill and Jack Storer, with their homebred, May 2009 born, Tudor Rose Jewel, who made 1080 gns to Andrew Jones of Middlewich, Cheshire.

Leading the Highland entry was the 2004 born bull Starabh Molach 5th of Glenkinglass, from Messrs J2 Farming of Oswestry, who, sold with her bull calf at foot, made 800 gns to J B Wilde, Flash, Buxton, Derbyshire.

Trade throughout was solid, with breeders now looking forward to the next Native Multi Breed event at Chelford, on 6th November.

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