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## NEW RECORD SET AT BRECON SHOW POTENTIAL SALE SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

The show and sale of cattle with potential lived up to its reputation of providing a yard full of exceptional cattle which have the ability to take the honours at fatstock shows.

Again a huge crowd attended the sale at Brecon with a strong contingent from Scotland and the West Country whose support was much appreciated. Although cattle came from all parts of the country the local breeders still came up with some tremendous cattle which took the prizes.

The supreme champion went to Dancing Queen (lot 21) being a Limousin heifer sired by Sheehills Jet and from the noted breeders PJ & TA Jones, Tyisaf, Erwood helped by their sons.

This heifer was sold for £5700 to Mr Blair Dufton from Huntly Scotland and then the second honour of reserve champion was also awarded to the Jones family from Tyisaf which is a record for our show. This was awarded to lot 22 Black Magic, another heifer sired by Sheehills Jet and was sold for £3900 to Mr Colin Harris of Little Lambert, Devon.

However the shock of the day came for another local breeder Messrs DE & G Davies, Llwynpiod, Garth for lot 26. A very smart black heifer named Pepper which attracted considerable interest and generated some very competitive bidding between a Scottish buyer and The Alford family (Stillmans) from the West Country. It was eventually knocked down for a new record at Brecon Market of £8000 to Stillmans (Somerset) Ltd.

Messrs Phillips, The Batch, Weobly also did well with two young heifers which stood  $2^{nd} \& 3^{rd}$  in the same class, lot 97 (Black Lash) made £3100 while lot 98 (Black Ice) made £2100. Messrs Phillips also sold a very smart young Charolais steers to a new buyer Mr D Morrison from the north of Scotland for £1950.

Messrs Jones from Lower Argoed only showed one heifer, lot 35, Peaches but this sold well to Mr James Nesbet from Scotland £3050.

The steers topped at £2900 for Honkey Tonk bred by Messrs Lewis form Pentwyn and this was purchased by Mr Blair Dufton who also purchased another superb steer from Messrs Brute, Gwndwnwal, lot 57 Brutus Oswald at £2450.

The sale was a great success and was well supported by sponsors the main being Agri Lloyd International, Carrs Billington agricultural merchants and the Farmers Guardian.

94 cattle were sold at an overall average of £1615 for steers and heifers this was made up of 47 heifers to average  $\pounds$ 1946 and 47 steers to average  $\pounds$ 1285.

Chris Jones, Auctioneer at Brecon Market