## Vermont Holds 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary State Sale

One of the longest-running Registered Jersev sales-the Vermont State Salecelebrated 75 years of bringing buyer and seller together on September 27, 2011. Those who attended the event at the North Haverhill Fairgrounds just across the border in New Hampshire enjoyed unseasonably warm weather as 238 lots were struck off for an average of \$1,082.92 and gross receipts of \$257,735. All but one of the consignments were uncalved heifers. Jersey breeders paid a premium for the 22 close-up springers, who sold for \$1,559.09 on average, and the lone milking cow, who sold for \$2,000. Four dairy producers from Iowa, California and Washington made a bulk of the purchases, accounting for eight of every 10 lots that crossed the auction block that day.

Sale Analysis			
Number	Avg. Price	Total Value	
1 Cow, two years and over	\$2,000.00	\$2000	
1 under 3 mos., s.w.d.	160.00	160	
93 Bred heifers	1,452.42	135,075	
28 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester	1,283.04	35,925	
43 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester	1,508.14	64,850	
22 3rd Trimester	1,559.09	34,300	
57 Open yearlings	881.58	50,250	
87 Heifer calves	807.47	70,250	
238 Lots	\$1,082.92	\$257,735	
Median price	\$975.00		

Sale Management: Jersey Marketing Service Auctioneer: Lynn Lee

In spirited bidding, it was Randy Ferris who outlasted AJCA-NAJ Area Representative Ron Mosser, who carried a contending bid for Lyon Jerseys, Toledo, Iowa, to bring the high seller home to Ferrisdale Farm in Brookfield, Vt. His sole purchase of the day, Ledgebrook 2226 by Headline, was made for \$3,600.

The purchase is a part of Ferris' overall plan to transition the herd at Ferrisdale



Ferrisdale Farm, represented by Ben White, left, purchased the high seller, Ledgebrook 2226 by Headline, for \$3,600. The bred heifer was consigned by Ledgebrook Farm. Contending bidder was Lyon Jerseys, represented by AJCA-NAJ Area Representative Ron Mosser, right. In the box are Lynn Lee, auctioneer, and Neal Smith, AJCA-NAJ Executive Secretary. Farm from unregistered Holstein to Registered Jersey. The milking string is now about 85% Jersey and includes several high-genetic cows that were the nucleus of the Slye Hollow and Slye Ridge herds the family purchased from the White family in May 2010.

The strong, deep bodied "By Headline" is sired by Schultz Rescue Headline, GJPI +161, and has a PA JPI of +155. She is due to Gabys Ballard-ET, GJPI +139, in early January. Her dam is a Very Good-86% daughter of Ahlem Lemvig Abe-ET, GJPI +154, with an m.e. average of 21,808–1,078–809 on two lactations. Her dam has two Very Good maternal sisters, including one that has 18,240 lbs. milk, 890 lbs. protein and 698 lbs. protein and ranks among the breed's top 1.5% for JPI.

"By Headline's" grandam is a Very Good-87% daughter of Rock Ella Paramount-ET, GJPI +99, with two lactations over 21,300 lbs. milk, 1,000 lbs. fat and 770 lbs. protein. She has two Very Good maternal sisters with records to 21,610 lbs. milk, 1,084 lbs. fat and 748 lbs. protein.

She was consigned by Ledgebrook Farm, Canterbury, Conn.

Leonards Goofy Guinever, the second high seller, caught the eye of many Jersey breeders when she was paraded around the ring. In a bidding war that ensued between Nick Raggi of Union Bridge, Md., and Marshall Metcalf of Constable, N.Y., it was Raggi that wanted the tall, fancy, fullaged summer yearling the most and placed the last bid of \$2,725.

"Guinever" hails from the "Made Me Giggle" cow family in Canada. She is sired by Giprat Belles Connection-ET, JPI +24, and sold short bred to Griffens Governor-ET, GJPI +1. Her maternal sister, Oblong Valley Deavers Cheryl, Excellent-90%, is a two-time Grand Champion of the New Jersey State Fair (2010 and 2011) and was also tapped as Reserve Grand Champion (2008) and Junior Champion (2007) of the show. She has 20,010 lbs. milk, 1,091 lbs. fat and 700 lbs. fat at 3-4.

Their dam is an Excellent-91% daughter of Piedmont Nadine Furor, GJPI -126. She has two Excellent maternal sisters and a Very Good-88% maternal sister with 24,270 lbs. milk, 1,401 lbs. fat and 1,008 lbs. protein.

"Guinever's" grandam is Alexvale Gennies Gadget, Excellent-92%. She was Junior Champion of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair (RAWF) in 2000 and earned the same banner at the Central National Jersey Show the following year. Her maternal sister, Alexvale Made Me Giggle-ET, EX 96-3E (CAN), was named



The second high seller, Leonards Goofy Guinever, was purchased by Nick Raggi, left, for \$2,725. She was consigned by Leonard Beef Co. Inc. Contending bidder was Marshall Metcalf, represented by AJCA-NAJ Area Representative Sara Barlass. Also pictured are auctioneer Lynn Lee and AJCA-NAJ Executive Secretary Neal Smith.

Grand Champion of both the RAWF and the Central National Jersey Show in 2008. The consignment's third dam is VG 87 in Canada. Her fourth dam is EX 90 in Canada and made a best record of 4-7 305 20,004 4.0% 803 3.7% 743 CAN.

"Guinever" was consigned by Leonard Beef Co., Inc., Lakeville, Mass.

The third high seller was the lone milking individual, Highland Seville J Delores, who freshened with her first calf at the fairgrounds the day before the sale. Alan Miller, Constable, N.Y., purchased the daughter of BW Seville, GJPI +118, for \$2,000.

She hails from the deep, long-lived "Delores" cow family at Highland Farms, Cornish, Maine, who consigned her to the sale. Her 13 closest dams are Very Good or Excellent with top production. Her Very Good-81% dam is sired by Windy Willow Montana Jace, GJPI +117, and has a best record of 5-1 287 22,720 4.7% 1,076 3.6% 812 104DCR. Her grandam is a Sunset Canyon Marquee-ET, GJPI -25, daughter that is appraised Very Good-82% and has an m.e. lactation average of 19,127–950–713 on four lactations.

"Delores" Very Good-83% third dam has six lactations and made her best record of 19,370 lbs. milk, 948 lbs. fat and 677 lbs. protein at 6-1. Her Very Good-87% fourth dam has five lactations and a high record of 3-3 305 19,970 4.4% 869 3.8% 759 DHIR.

Though Metcalf was outbid on the second high seller, he found success on the fourth high seller, Leonards Governor Rally Raina, another consignment from Leonard Beef Co., Inc. The full-aged junior calf is sired by "Governor" and out of Rapid Bay Connection Rally, Very Good-88%. "Rally" has two maternal sisters that were named Reserve All-Canadian and two other maternal sisters that were nominated All-Canadian.

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Their dam is Rapid Bay Whistler's Rumor-ET, SUP-EX 95-6E (CAN), who was named All-Canadian Mature Cow in 2003 and 2005 and earned reserve honors in 2008. She has lifetime credits of 166,487 lbs. milk, 8,065 lbs. fat and 6,695 lbs. protein in eight lactations and made a best record of 20,827 lbs. milk, 983 lbs. fat and 836 lbs. protein at 8-11.

The next three dams are Very Good or Excellent in Canada.

Eighteen Jersey breeders from 10 states coast-to-coast made purchases. Walt Vanderwaal, Orange City, Iowa, was the volume buyer of the day, selecting 84 lots for \$75,500. John Lemstra, Tulare, Calif., purchased 39 head for 58,850.

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(Leonard Beef Co. Inc., Lakeville, Mass.)
Alan Miller, Constable, N.Y.
Highland Seville J Delores, bred heifer 23 mos
(Highland Farms, Cornish, Maine)
Highland Emmet F Spice, bred heifer 21 mos 1,700
(Highland Farms)
Ledgebrook 2217 by Celebrity, bred heifer 19 mos 1,675
(Ledgebrook Farm)
High Lawn Alexander Giffy, bred heifer 20 mos 1,675
(High Lawn Farm, Lee, Mass.)
Appleton Deacon Mia-P, bred heifer 21 mos 1,650
(Ai B. Metcalf, Piermont, N.H.)
Mayval Governor Sindee, bred heifer 22 mos 1,600
(Kate M. Parsons, Westhampton, Mass.)
SVF Max Mae, bred heifer 20 mos 1,575
(Amy L. Ferris, West Braintree, Vt.)
Marshall Metcalf, Constable, N.Y.
Leonards Governor Rally Raina, heifer calf 8 mos 1,800
(Leonard Beef Co. Inc.)
Leonards Gwendalyn Geraldine, heifer calf 6 mos 1,750
(Leonard Beef Co. Inc.)
BAF Garry Windy Water, bred heifer 2 yrs
(David Anusesky, Stillwater, N.Y.)
John Lemstra, Tulare, Calif.
RST Action Tinsel, bred heifer 21 mos 1,700
(Samantha Cohen, Monroe, N.H.)
Breezy Hill Impuls Moonbeam, bred heifer 23 mos 1,700
(Stewart E. White, East Ryegate, Vt.)
High Lawn Action Gabriella, bred heifer 17 mos 1,675
(High Lawn Farm)
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(Roderick C. White, Newbury, Vt.) Fleurys Maple Ace Love-Twin, bred heifer 22 mos 1,500
(Stephen and Elizabeth Fleury, Richford, Vt.)
Ledgebrook 2138 by Lencrest, bred heifer 2 yrs 1,500 (David Anusesky)
Mapleline Playboy Ally, bred heifer 16 mos 1,475 (John Kokoski, Hadley, Mass.)
GR Highland Gannon E Winnifred, bred heifer 18 mos.1,475 (Highland Farms)
High Lawn Jacinto Jelly, bred heifer 17 mos 1,450 (High Lawn Farm)
GR Whalen Nicholas Thelma, cow 3 yrs 1,450
(Michael R. and Diana M. Whalen) Fleurys Maple Artist Monet, bred heifer 2 yrs1,425
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White Rock Tuesday Sharon, bred heifer 2 yrs1,400 (David Anusesky)
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Rancho Teresita Dairy, Tulare, Calif.
Leonards Miss Mariah Mary, bred heifer 2 yrs 1,700 (Leonard Beef Co. Inc.)
C and B Harrison Gem, bred heifer 21 mos 1,675
(Emily Carson, Newbury, Vt.) Pearlmont Felipe Sweet Pea, bred heifer 18 mos 1,600
(Rachel Cohen, Monroe, N.H.)
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(Matthew J. Angell, Randolph Center, Vt.)
GR Pembrook Fantom Shell, bred heifer 16 mos 1,500 (Tony Brown, Randolph Center, Vt.)
Harkdale OT Lilly, open yearling 14 mos 1,425 (Seth Carson, Newbury, Vt.)
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