

Orthridge Farms Consigns High Sellers at Iowa Sale

Jersey breeders from the Hawkeye State and other dairies in the region stepped up to the plate by consigning some of their best to this year's edition of the Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sale on March 23, 2013. Buyers showed their appreciation with a sale average that bettered the one posted last year by more than \$220 and is the highest since 2008. The 44 lots that crossed the auction block in West Union, Iowa, sold for an average of \$1,857.95 and a gross of \$81,750. Seven lots sold for \$3,000 or more, led by four high-genomic females that sold with written contracts or interest from A.I. organizations. The event was again hosted with the Iowa Ayrshire Breeders Association and included the third Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale for Jersey juniors.

Sale Analysis			
Number		Avg. Price	Total Value
8	Cows, two years and over	\$1,446.88	\$11,575
11	Bred heifers	1,884.09	20,725
7	Open yearlings	2,535.71	17,750
15	Heifer calves	1,728.33	25,925
1	Bull	900.00	900
1	Embryo package	1,875.00	1,875
1	Choice of calves	3,000.00	3,000
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44	Lots	\$1,857.95	\$81,750
	Median price	\$1,500.00	

Sale Management:
Iowa Jersey Cattle Club
Auctioneer: Lynn Lee

The two high-selling lots were consigned by Orthridge Farms of Lancaster, Wis. River Valley Farm, Tremont, Ill., selected the high-seller, Orthridge Zuma Riva, for \$7,000. The 13-month-old daughter of ISDK DJ Zuma, GJPI +215, sold with a contract to Jerseyland Sires potentially worth \$17,500 and interest from Accelerated Genetics, Genex/CRI, Select Sires and the Semex Alliance.

"Riva" ranked on the list of the Top 500 Heifers for GJPI on sale day and now has



Orthridge Zuma Riva was the high-selling Jersey at the Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sale. She was purchased by River Valley Farm for \$7,000 and consigned by Orthridge Farms, represented by Derek Orth, left. Also pictured with "Riva" are Gina Fisher, on the halter, and Jason Steinlage, pedigrees, and Lynn Lee, auctioneer, in the box.

a GJPI of +205 and a Genomic Predicted Transmitting Ability (GPTA) of +4.9 for Production Life (PL). She tested free for JH1 and has a Genomic Future Inbreeding of 4.8%.

Her dam, Aspen Grove Braveheart Raisie, Very Good-86%, is sired by Keystone Duke Braveheart, GJPI +158. She ranks among the top 1.5% in the nation for GJPI with an index of +154 and has an m.e. average of 21,226-997-793 on two lactations.

"Riva's" grandam, Aspen Grove Militia Rose, Excellent-90%, has two records over 25,000 lbs. milk and a best record of 3-10 305 3x 27,140 4.6% 1,242 3.5% 939 94DCR. Orthridge Farms purchased her as a bred heifer carrying "Raisie" at the National Heifer Sale in 2008. "Riva's" third dam is appraised Very Good-85% and made 20,780 lbs. milk, 1,018 lbs. fat and 694 lbs. protein at 3-8.

Matthew Steiner, Rittman, Ohio, purchased the other high-selling consignment, Orthridge Valentino Vanna-P, for \$5,500. Like her former herdmate, the bred heifer sold with a contract to Jerseyland Sires potentially worth \$17,500 and interest from Accelerated Genetics, Genex/CRI, Select Sires and the Semex Alliance.

"Vanna" is sired by the breed's former #1 G-code bull, All Lynns Louie Valentino-ET, GJPI +186, and due with an ultrasounded heifer calf by Orthridge Da Bomb-P-ET, GJPI +170, in early October. She ranks #67 in the nation among genotyped polled females with a GJPI of +168 and has GPTAs of +1,022M, +52F, +37P and +1.7 for Type.

Her dam is sired by Ahlem Lemvig Abe-ET, GJPI +140. Her Very Good-85% grandam made 21,000 lbs. milk, 930 lbs. fat and 709 lbs. protein at 4-6. Her third dam is a Very Good-85% daughter of Forest Glen Hallmark Kirk-P-ET, GJPI +15, with a best record of 5-0 305 19,370 4.2% 819 3.7% 716 97DCR. The next dam is appraised Excellent-90%.

Steiner also took home the third high-selling Jersey, Gabys Visionary Sharlene, for \$5,300. The six-month-old daughter of All Lynns Legal Visionary-ET, GJPI +247, is backed by eight Very Good or Excellent dams. She ranks on the list of the Top 500 Heifers for GJPI with an index of +218 and has GPTAs of +1,731M, +64F, +56P and +3.9PL. She sold with interest from Accelerated Genetics, Genex/CRI, Select Sires and the Semex Alliance.

"Sharlene's" dam is a Very Good-85% daughter of ISDK JAS Artist, GJPI +155, with an m.e. of 20,725-894-750 on her first lactation. Her grandam is a Very Good-87% daughter of Mason Lemvig Jacinto-ET, GJPI +52, with a three lactation



Orthridge Farms, represented by Derek Orth, left, also consigned the second high seller, Orthridge Valentino Vanna-P, who was purchased by Matthew Steiner for \$5,500. Gina Fisher is at the halter and Jason Steinlage, pedigrees, and Lynn Lee, auctioneer, are in the box.

m.e. average of 17,379-885-684. Her third dam is appraised Very Good-85% and has an m.e. average of 20,516-964-690 on two lactations.

"Sharlene" was consigned by Gaby Jersey Farm, Greeneville, Tenn.

In all, buyers from seven states made purchases. The sale was co-managed with the Iowa Ayrshire Association for the 10th year and auctioned 59 Ayrshire lots for an average of \$2,045.45.

Sales \$1,875 and Over

(Consignors in Parentheses)

River Valley Farm, Tremont, Ill.
Orthridge Zuma Riva, open yearling 13 mos. \$7,000
(Orthridge Farms, Lancaster, Wis.)
Matthew Steiner, Rittman, Ohio
Orthridge Valentino Vanna-P, bred heifer 15 mos. 5,500
(Orthridge Farms)
Gabys Visionary Sharlene, heifer calf 6 mos. 5,300
(Gaby Jersey Farm, Greeneville, Tenn.)
John David Maxwell, Donahue, Iowa
Trans Ova Critic Mariena E628-ET, heifer calf 7 mos. ... 3,800
(Trans-Ova Genetics, Sioux Center, Iowa)
Chris Suess, Grand Meadow, Minn.
Edgebrook Sonic Lemay, open yearling 18 mos. 3,200
(Mike and Brenda Dilly, Montour, Iowa)
Patrick and Carlena Gallagher, Decorah, Iowa
Norther Lites Grand Prix Vanetta-ET, heifer calf 8 mos. 3,000
(Audrey and Hayley Souza, Milbank, S.D.)
Brian Bagge, Worthington, Iowa
First choice female sired by Griffens Governor-ET and out of Arethusa Signature Verona-ET 3,000
(Audrey and Hayley Souza)
Arthurares Outlaw Saige, bred heifer 20 mos. 2,450
(Brad and Brian Arthur, Maynard, Iowa)
Jason Volker and Jason Steinlage, Lawler, Iowa
Schulte Bros Giller Glory-ET, bred heifer 2 yrs. 2,700
(Zach, Blake and Mitch Schulte, Watkins, Iowa)
Steve Durnan, Elgin, Iowa
Hei-Bri Polish Creme, cow 2 yrs. 2,600
(Brian and Heidi Lantzky and Family, Hawkeye, Iowa)
Jon Crubel, Lancaster, Wis.
Schulte Bros Iatola Glisten-ET, open yearling 15 mos. 2,100
(Mitch Schulte, Watkins, Iowa)
Libby Milroy, North Platte, Neb.
Orthridge Kel Ladasha-P, bred heifer 18 mos. 2,100
(Randy or Laura Orth, Lancaster, Wis.)
Doug Fairbanks, Anamosa, Iowa
Lyon Merchant Bea-ET, heifer calf 7 mos. 2,000
(Lyon Jerseys, Toledo, Iowa)
Nathan Franek, Newhall, Iowa
Five embryos sired by Gabys Chronicle and out of Gabys Navara Abigail 1,875
(Henry Gaby, Greeneville, Tenn.)

Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale

The third Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale was held in conjunction with the Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sale. Two heifer calves sold for an average of \$600. The juniors who made purchases are eligible to participate in the Hawkeye Pot O'Gold

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Production Contest, which is based on actual production (combined fat and protein pounds) of these heifers in their first lactation.

Abina Johnson, La Crescent, Minn., purchased the high seller, a heifer calf that traces to the "Jade" cow family at Forest Glen Jerseys, Dayton, Ore., for \$750. Lyleschlomer Hancock Justine is a

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2	Heifer calves	\$600.00 \$1,200
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2	Lots	\$600.00 \$1,200
	Median price	\$600.00

November 2012 daughter of O.F. Impuls Hancock, GJPI +162. She has a GJPI of +144 and GPTAs of +1,116M, +52F and +33P.

Her dam is a Very Good-81% daughter of Tollenaars Impuls Louie 260-ET, GJPI +172, with an m.e. of 16,849-660-527 on her first lactation. Her third dam is appraised Very Good-83% and has two actual records over 17,000 lbs. milk, 730 lbs. fat and 560 lbs. protein.

"Justine's" fourth dam, Forest Glen VD Jade-ET, Excellent-90%, made 27,530 lbs. milk, 1,367 lbs. fat and 964 lbs. protein in her first lactation. She has eight sons in A.I. sampling programs. "Justine's" fifth dam is Havs Chief Berretta Jade, Excellent-95%, with 23,570 lbs. milk, 820 lbs. fat and 894 lbs. protein at 4-2.

She was consigned by Covington Jerseys and Hannah and Titus Covington, Leon, Iowa.

The other Iowa junior who made a purchase was Greydon Henry of Leon.

Sales \$450 and Over

(Consignors in Parentheses)

Abina Johnson, La Crescent, Minn.
Lyleschlomer Hancock Justine, heifer calf 4 mos. \$750
(Covington Jerseys and Hannah and Titus Covington, Leon, Iowa)
Greyden Henry, Leon, Iowa
Cinnamon Ridge TBone Vandita, heifer calf 8 mos. 450
(John and Edwin Maxwell, Donahue, Iowa)