

Iowa Spring Sale Posts \$2,456 Average

The Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sale struck off 34 lots for an average of \$2,456.62, led by a pair of fancy-pedigreed heifer calves that sold for more than \$4,000 each. This year's event, managed by Iowa dairy producers David Koss, Tom Kruse, Jason Steinlage and Kurt Wolf, was held on March 5 at the Fayette County Fairgrounds in West Union, Iowa. The sale also auctioned consignments from Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey and Milking Shorthorn breeders, with an overall sale average of \$2,745.16 on 93 lots.

Sale Analysis

Number	Avg. Price	Total Value
8 Cows, two years and over	\$2,509.38	\$20,075
1 under 3 mos., s.w.d.	825.00	825
10 Bred heifers	2,202.50	22,025
3 Open yearlings	2,000.00	6,000
12 Heifer calves	2,612.50	31,350
1 Choice of calves	3,250.00	3,250
34 Lots	\$2,456.62	\$83,525
Median price	\$2,200.00	

Sale Management:

David Koss, Tom Kruse, Jason Steinlage
and Kurt Wolf
Auctioneer: Lynn Lee

The Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale was also held in conjunction with the event, with two juniors purchasing a pair of Jersey heifers to start the 2019 Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Production Contest and winners announced for this year's contest.

Iowa Jersey breeders Dawson and Dakota Sawyer of Marshalltown purchased the high seller, Do-N-Joy Roman Bethany, for \$4,400. The full-aged senior calf hails from the Duncan Belle cow family and is sired by Roseys Tequila Roman, GJPI -112, a son of Tower Vue Prime Tequila-ET, GJPI -171, out of Marynole Excite Rosey, Excellent-93%.

"Bethany's" dam, Covington Matinee Belle, is a Very Good-87% daughter of Sunset Canyon Matinee-ET, GJPI +81, with 14,630 lbs. milk, 785 lbs. fat and 567 lbs. protein at 3-9. "Matinee Belle" has an Excellent-91% maternal sister with 16,340 lbs. milk, 825 lbs. fat and 617 lbs. protein. "Bethany's" grandam, Impuls Belle-ET, Excellent-93%, has eight lactations and a best record of 7-1 305 21,490 4.7% 1,009 3.6% 783 97DCR. A daughter of her maternal sister is Excellent-94% with 19,439 lbs. milk, 1,029 lbs. fat and 775 lbs. protein at 6-1. "Bethany's" third dam has a two lactation m.e. average of 19,995-859-780.

The fourth dam is the well-known Duncan Belle, winner of the *Jersey Journal* Great Cow Contest in 2000 and runner-up in this year's contest. Duncan Belle is the 1993 Reserve National Grand Champion

and was twice tapped Grand Champion of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. She has 14 sons in A.I. and is the only cow to earn a 27-star brood cow award from Jersey Canada.

The next two dams are Excellent. The seventh dam is Chocolate Belle, Excellent-90%, with 10 records—two of them over 20,000 lbs. milk—and a best record of 8-0 365 24,610 4.9% 1,201 3.7% 917 DHIR.

"Bethany" was consigned by Tony Kohls of Arlington, Minn.

The second high seller, Northern Lites FP Brianna, was struck off for \$4,000. Kim Schlecht of Balaton, Minn., placed the winning bid on the summer yearling sired by Royalty Ridge Firepower, GJPI -87, a "Tequila" son out of Family Hill Comerica Firefly-ET, Excellent-95%.

"Brianna's" dam is an Excellent-93% daughter of Townside GBJ Rambo Fever, JPI -23, with an m.e. of 15,991-826-579 on her 3-0 lactation. Her grandam, Vindctn Britany of Last Chance, Excellent-95%, has seven lactations and a best record of 7-5 305 21,280 5.5% 1,174 3.5% 744 97DCR. Her third dam is an Excellent-90% daughter of Giprat Belles Jade-ET, GJPI -24. The next two dams are Very Good-81% and Excellent-92%, respectively.

"Brianna" was consigned by Al-Shar Holsteins and Josh Kellen, Groton, S.D.

Trent Kilgus, Fairbury, Ill., purchased the third high seller, Reich-Dale Premier Shake-ET, for \$3,750. A late addition to the sale, the two-year old daughter of Hawarden Impuls Premier, GJPI +63, is backed by two Excellent dams.

"Shake" freshened with her first calf in mid-February and was appraised Very Good-86% at 1-11. For her new owner, she gave 55 lbs. milk on her April test and has a projected m.e. of 17,660-981-688 on her first lactation.

She is out of an Excellent-93% daughter of Glenholme Counciller, GJPI -78, with seven complete lactations and a best record of 5-10 305 19,530 4.9% 948 3.5% 674 95DCR. Her grandam is an Excellent-94% daughter of Bush River Brigadier-ET, GJPI -135, also with seven lactations. She made her best record of 21,860 lbs. milk, 907 lbs. fat and 754 lbs. protein at 8-10.

"Shake" was consigned by Nick Sawyer of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Sales \$2,575 and Over

(Consignors in Parentheses)

Dawson and Dakota Sawyer, Marshalltown, Iowa	
Do-N-Joy Roman Bethany, heifer calf 6 mos.....	\$4,400
(Tony Kohls, Arlington, Minn.)	
Kim Schlecht, Balaton, Minn.	
Northern Lites FP Brianna, heifer calf 9 mos.....	4,000
(Al-Shar Holsteins and Josh Kellen, Groton, S.D.)	
Trent Kilgus, Fairbury, Ill.	
Reich-Dale Premier Shake-ET, cow 2 yrs.....	3,750
(Nick Sawyer, Marshalltown, Iowa)	
Dry Hollow Dairy, Farley, Iowa	
Heavenly Kyros Kit-Kat, cow 3 yrs.....	3,500

(Carrie Ritschard, Monroe, Wis.)

North Star Dairy, Groton, S.D.

First choice female sired by Hawarden Impuls Premier and out of Stars Tequila Salt-ET.....

(Troy and Darin Zoelnor, Groton, S.D.)

Donna Mertz and Eric Lang, Blair, Neb.

River Valley Vavoom Marmagical, heifer calf 10 mos. . . 3,200
(River Valley Farm, Tremont, Ill.)

Kevin Biehl, Harmony, Minn.

Arthuracres Excitation Novice, heifer calf 6 mos..... 3,200
(Mike and Brenda Dilly and Bradley and Brian Arthur, Oelwein, Iowa)

SSF Grayson Pickler, heifer calf 9 mos..... 2,600
(Charles F. Luchsinger, Syracuse, N.Y.)

Pat Ard, Ruth, Miss.

Clear Creek Siegs Joa Vicotira, heifer calf 6 mos..... 3,200
(Vegas Syndicate, Peosta, Iowa)

Byers Dairy Farm, Milo, Iowa

Elliotts Rose Incentive-ET, heifer calf 11 mos..... 2,900
(Zach, Blake and Mitch Schulte, Blainstown, Iowa)

Michael Heath, Westminster, Md.

VHM Tequila Susie, bred heifer 18 mos..... 2,750
(Vance and Harvey Metzger, Lester, Iowa)

Nicholas Costello, de Witt, Iowa

Iota Reagan Leila, bred heifer 2 yrs..... 2,575
(Patrick and Carlena Gallagher, Decorah, Iowa)

Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale

The sixth Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Sale was held in conjunction with the Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sale. Two heifers sold for an average of \$600 and a gross of \$1,200. The juniors who made purchases are eligible to compete in the Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Production Contest in 2019, which is based on actual production (combined fat and protein) of these heifers in their first lactation.

Shaelyn Scoon of Lancaster, Mo., purchased the high seller, Zumbach Ole Salsa {4} for \$700. The three-month-old daughter of Kunde Plus Ole {4}, PA JPI +98, is out of a daughter of BW Country-ET, GJPI +11. The Very Good-87% grandam of "Salsa {4}" is sired by BW Legion, GJPI -3, and has 26,360 lbs. milk, 1,159 lbs. fat and 890 lbs. protein at 3-4.

"Salsa {4}" was consigned by Jennifer Zumbach, Coggon, Iowa.

Alaina Johnson, LaCrescent, Minn., was announced as winner of the 2016 Hawkeye Pot O'Gold Production Contest. Her entry, Lyleschlomer Hancock Justine, Very Good-85%, produced a 2-4 record of 16,040 lbs. milk, 772 lbs. fat and 531 lbs. protein (1,303 combined fat and protein) to top the contest. She is sired by O.F. Impuls Hancock, GJPI +161, and has a GJPI of +107. She was consigned by Covington Jerseys and Hannah and Titus Covington, Leon, Iowa.

Johnson receives a check in the amount of \$150 for winning the contest.