

Beaulieu Road Online Auction

Thursday 25th November 2021

The New Forest Livestock Society sadly had to cancel the two sales planned for October and December due to the ongoing sale yard reinstatement work from a fire in April. These two sales were replaced by a third online auction run in conjunction with Southern Counties Auctioneers and The New Forest Pony Breeding and Cattle Society.

The auction was open to all registered New Forest ponies and part-breds registered with the NFPBCS plus other breeds that had been de-pastured on the open forest by commoners. This enabled those sellers from across the country, who were eligible to enter, to take part in this online auction and an opportunity for buyers, who may not be able to make a sale, the ability to be able to bid on any of the lots. The auctioneers created an easy-to-read online catalogue from their website detailing guidelines on viewing, collection, and transfer of all paperwork for the lots presented for the auction.

A good entry of 135 lots were put forward with 90 being fully registered New Forest ponies. Entries in the fully registered New Forest section varied from both 'Forest Bred' (sired and born on the open New Forest) and stud foals; a strong selection of yearlings / two and three old youngsters to several older animals. It was a good mix of fillies, colts and geldings, buyers had a good selection to choose from.

The top prices for the fully registered New Forest section include:

Sunnyside Skylark by Lucky Lane Rollo, owned and bred by Katie Luker reached £3150. A strong Forest Bred six-year-old grey gelding broken to ride.

Kate Ingram's Hollyhatch Duchess II, a home bred bay three-year-old filly by Hollyhatch Huntsman fetched £2100. Roxanna Thomas' Lovelyhill Peaky Blinder, a grey three-year-old gelding by Willoway Dancing Gold at £3000.

Samantha Reece's Longslade Juniper Berry, a black two-year-old gelding by Walhampton Scholars Farewell and Martine Harding's Rushmoor Huntsman, a bay two-year-old by Rushmoor Dalesman both sold for £3000 each.

Luke Blomfield's Sway Saint Tropez, a home bred bay yearling filly by Sway Supernova £2500 and Diana Kitcher's home bred Buckherd Rocking Around by Lovelyhill Hendrix, black yearling gelding £1150.

Sabine Andree-Parsons' home bred Sabina's Nightingale, a bay Filly Foal by Sabina's Gold Sovereign, topped the bill at £1500 and Alan Ingram's Rowhill River Dance by Fidelitywood Falcolner, a home bred buckskin Forest Bred colt foal reaching £1050.

The proceeds from the sale of Rowhill Patience (£580), owned and bred by Alan Ingram, have been donated to the charity 'Naomi's House'. A generous donation to a very good cause.

The online auction proved to be popular with prices reflecting the quality and demand for the New Forest Pony and what they have to offer. This breed has an amenable temperament, versatility to multiple disciplines, hardiness, strength, and sure-footedness.

The New Forest Livestock Society is currently working with the Southern Counties Auctioneers to confirm 2022 sale dates to be held at the Beaulieu Road sale yard and will be published once confirmed.

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