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Market Report Chagford Pony Drift Sale

Thursday 8th October 2020

Auctioneers - Rendells, Chagford

The Sale's slogan is Wild to Wonderful and what a Wonderful day for all involved and Wonderful to see all the comments from happy purchasers of ponies of how they are settling into their new homes.

Many had been predicting a good demand at this year's sale but nothing like the trade that occurred.

It was only as recent as 2013 that the sum total of the whole sale was a mere £918 with only 32% of the ponies finding new homes. Many were expecting that to be the last year of the sale but Rendells the auctioneers, Charlotte Faulkner and the Dartmoor Hill Pony Association agreed to continue and gradually the demand for ponies has increased resulting this year in a 100% sale rate at an average of £173 compared with £18 in 2013 – a much better return than any other investment!!

Top price of the day was a remarkable £1491 for a coloured filly from Mr A Steed who averaged £909.

Other prices:

Mary Alford - Shetland fillies to £504, Shetland colts to £270.

Mr N Burgoyne - black fillies to £378.

Mr J Shears - spotted fillies to £550, spotted colts to £520.

Mrs E Irish - grey mares to £430.50.

Mrs W Watson - bay yearling fillies to £168.

Mrs H Pearse - spotted colts to £430.50.

Mr P Heard - mares to £283.50 and chestnut fillies to £367.50.

Mrs A Cole - mares and foals to£325.50, grey fillies to £420, grey colts to £320.05, Iron Grey mare to £189 and bay fillies to £252.

Mr A Mortimore – stallions to £210, mares to £157.50, mares and foals to £294 and Shetland fillies to £147.

Mr P R Coaker, "Runnage herd" - skewbald fillies to £189 and dun colts to £220.50.

Mr J Wonnacott - piebald fillies to £183.75.

Heather Parr - spotted colts to £336.

Abel Bros - dun and white fillies to £267.75 and grey colts to £94.50.



P & V Pearse – 2 year old geldings to £294, yearling fillies to £120.75, yearling colts to £157.50, silver and dun colts to £168 and fillies to £78.75.

Mrs C Caygill – 2 year old geldings to £493.50.

Mrs A Williams - grey geldings to £714.

Mr T Whitley - grey roan colts to £336.

Mrs R Barkwell - grey mares to £178.50, bay fillies to £84 grey colts to £52.50.

Mrs J Mortimore - Shetland fillies to £372.75 and black and white Shetland colts to £178.50. Mr P Mann - yearling colts to £115.50.

Donkeys sold to £451.50 for Mr D Jordan and £262.50 for Mrs A Cole.

The very last pony in the ring was a black and white colt donated by Mrs A Cole to Cancer Research which made £68.25.

All in all an excellent day and Rendells would like to thank all the vendors, buyers, staff and helpers particularly Charlotte Faulkner and the Dartmoor Hill Pony Association whose perseverance over the years has helped to keep the sale going. The auctioneers also thank Devon Trading Standards and the Animal and Plant Health Agency for their guidance.

We look forward to seeing everyone at next year's Pony Sale which will be on Thursday 14th October 2021.

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