



Brecon Fairday Sale of Horses – Saturday 5th November 2011

This special sale of foals again attracted a full capacity of buyers and both the ring and market was full of clients.

We also enjoyed an excellent clearance with virtually 90% of the lots being sold and some quality types reached some exceptional prices, confirming that quality will still attract a premium.

In the filly section a foal from Messrs T Powell, Gwernarglwyd, Penybont made a staggering £966 and went to Mid Glamorgan, it was a strong Section D type while a Welsh Part Bred from Davies Bros, The Llan Farm made £714 and was purchased by Mr Turner of Gwent.

Another section D filly from Messrs Davies, Tyisha sold well at £305 and a cob type filly from EA Morgan of Ferde Fawr was well sold at £242.

In general the fillies were easily sold and would have averaged £96 to include all types, however the genuine Section A Fillies would have been £45.

Yearlings were up to £225 and a two year old reached £378. Prices were obviously disappointing but at least there were buyers in attendance and competition was present.

The colts were a more difficult trade but again quality and types would provide a premium and a smart dun coloured Section D foal from Mr Davies of Tyisha made £168 whilst another Section D from Mr I Dark made £105. The Section A colt foals were extremely difficult but nothing made less than £10 and 85% were sold to average £31.

A special Gypsy type filly foal from H & E Powell, Llwyngwillim made £1008, whilst a similar type colt made £140.

A 2 year old skewbald filly was very well sold from Messrs Morgans of Hillcrest and this made £1050 being a strong Chestnut and White horse.

The sale in general was a relative success in that new homes were found for the majority of lots, however many of the Section A foals and several Section D's would have been sold for a loss when taking account of the cost of chips and passports.

The future is a concern for the hill ponies but breeders should be encouraged that the sale still attracts potential buyers from all over the UK who admire and appreciate the Section A foals and we just hope that with fewer mares around that prices will improve and those dedicated Section A breeders will eventually get some benefit for the quality foals they produce.

We shall be conducting a derogation sale on Saturday 19th November together with another general sale on Saturday 3rd December and entries are now invited.