

13th May 2017

ON BEHALF OF J PETTITT
DISPERSAL AUCTION OF FARM MACHINERY,
LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT & LOTS INCLUDED
BY KIND PERMISSION

Peter Crichton reports another large turnout of over 220 registered buyers from a wide area who attended his 13th May dispersal auction on behalf of John Pettitt, with over 520 lots on offer, which also included a further 220 included lots from 25 local farmers and neighbours. Prices remained firm from start to finish, with virtually every lot sold after 5¾ hours of selling on a dry and sunny day in the heart of Suffolk. The last auction Peter conducted for the Pettitt family was for John's father 42 years ago in 1975. How time flies!

TRACTORS & VEHICLES

A useful selection of tractors met strong competition from start to finish, with a John Deere 620 4WD tractor with loader (2002) and 11,400 hours on the clock selling after keen competition for £18,100; a John Deere 3050 Power Synchron tractor (1991) with 11,000 hours recorded selling for £7,800; a Ford 4000 tractor (1973) owned since new but in need of much TLC realised a remarkable £1,700; a 1995 Land Rover 110 high capacity Defender with 161,000 miles on the clock sold for £3,550; a Polaris 4WD quad bike made £1,200 and a Moffett forklift truck £1,650.

Tractors included by permission were headed by a rare David Brown circa 1957 tug tractor which sold to a local collector after strong competition for £4,700; a very tidy International 584 tractor (1980) sold for £2,800; an MF90 (1977) realised £3,200 and a 1983 Ford 7610 tractor found a new home at £4,300.

Vehicles included by permission attracted plenty of interest with an elderly Ford V6 ambulance (1984) needing restoration at £880; a 2000 Nissan Terrano sold for £700 and a 2011 Suzuki Grand Viatura made £750.

HAY & STRAW EQUIPMENT

A good quality selection met a total clearance, and with hay-making time just around the corner, plenty of interest was received from a large number of buyers, with a top price of £7,500 paid for a Spread-A-Bale Maxi straw spreader (new 2016); a Lely Welger RP 435 round baler made £5,600; a Class Liner 420 windrower made £3,000; a McHale HS2000 hydraulic big bale wrapper £1,550 and a NH 376 conventional baler £1,300.

TRAILERS

12 trailers of various types and sizes included a Bunning 10t dump trailer which made £3,850; an Ifor Williams 14ft tri-axle livestock trailer £3,000; a tri-axle curtain-sided trailer £1,100 and two other tri-axle trailers sold for £1,220 and £1,200; a 4t tipping trailer £520 and a Skelly container trailer £1,700. A Western 8t tipping trailer made £1,250 and a purpose-built Landrover trailer used for safari trips in Africa realised £1,550.

VARIOUS

The sale also included a wide selection of other included lots, all of which sold readily, with folding spring tine harrows selling to £620; sets of discs to £820; TSR300 4 furrow plough £420; a Rabi 4m power harrow £600; a Reekie 2000 potato harvester £1,750; a pair of MF rear wheels and tyres £920 and a set of 12m Edlington rolls £1,500; an Accord 8m drill £500; two military searchlights £800 and £750 each; a Dowdeswell roller / mower £880; a set of 4 row crop wheel and tyres £650, as well as a useful selection of cattle and sheep equipment.

The surprise lot of the day was a total of £480 paid for 32 Essolube motor oil bottles still in their original crates.

All in all, poignant day for the Pettitt family with John now retiring from farming, but thanks to him and Jonathan for their hard work in setting everything out so well. Peter Crichton's next auction is another retirement sale, this time on behalf of Stephen Cobbald of Acorn Farms Ltd. which will be one of the best quality sales he has conducted of modern arable equipment off 1,500 acres, which takes place at Acton Hall Farm, Sudbury on Saturday 24th June and catalogues will be available on the website soon.





